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ENN'BEC COUNTY. In Probate Court held at Augusta, on the 26th day of Dember, 1899.

As a Bornshener, Administratrix on the tate of Conrad A. Bornshener, late of lessen, in said county, deceased, having prented her first account of administration for lowance:

nted her first account of administration for lowance:

DADERED, That notice thereof be given ree weeks successively, prior to the fourth onday of January next, in the Maine rimer, a newspaper printed in Augusta, that persons interested may attend at a Court Probate, then to be holden at Augusta, and ow cause, if any, why the same should not allowed.

G. T. STEVENS, Judge.

Attest: W. A. Newcomb. Register. Attest: W. A. Newcomb. Revister. 10
DMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has
en duly appointed Administrator, with the
Il annexed, on the estate of
ELMIRA STEVENS, late of Windsor,
the County of Kennebec, deceased, and
zen bonds as the law directs. All persons
ving demands against the estate of said desaid are desired to present the same for
tlement, and all indebted thereto are resetted to make payment immediately.

EDWARD H. MOSHER.

Dec. 26, 1899.

DMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. The sub-base hareby gives notice that he has en duly appointed Administrator, on ate of

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LYDIA F. PAOR, late of Vassalboro,
the county of Kennebec, deceased, and
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tlement, and all indebted thereto are resetted to make payment immediately.

GRORGE H. BUSSELL.

Dec. 26, 1899.

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XECUTOR'S NOTICE. The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been ly appointed Executor of the will of HATHE C. SYKES, late of Augusta, the county of Kennebec, deceased, and en bonds as the law directs. All persons ring demands against the estate of said ceased are desired to present the same for tlement, and all indebted thereto are reseted to make payment immediately. ested to make payment immediately. dec. 26, 1899. 10 Grokge M. Grotton.

BEANS—Maine pea, \$2 20@2 25; Calinia pea, \$2 40@2 45; Yeilow Eyes,

THEESE—Sage, 15c; Vermont dairy, @141/2c.
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TEH—Cod, Shore, \$4 75@5 00; herg, per box, 11@16c.

BRAIN—Corn, car lots, 44e: bag, 46@47c; oats, car lots, 33@33\cc; y lots, 35c; meal, bag lots, 44@45c; orts, sack, car lots, \$18@18 50; orts, bag lots, \$19@19 50; middlings, (@20; middlings, bag lots, \$25 00; bag s. \$26 00.

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The leaf, 94094c.

OTATOES—60@65c per bush.

BOVISIONS—Fowl, 11@13c; chickens,

114c; turkeys, 13@16c; eggs, 25@26c;

f, 61/2@8c; pork backs, \$13.75;

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TRAW—Pressed, \$9; loose, \$5@6.
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, pag 1018, \$1 25.
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ing patents, \$4 30@4 50; roller
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these higher. New domestic cheese al. Eggs lower. Potatoes in good dend. Butter in good supply. Fowloty. Chickens in better demand. Pork day. Spring lambs, easy. Veal firm. ns higher. EANS—Western pea beans, \$2 25. low Eyes, \$2 25. GUTTER—Ball butter, 20c. Creamery,

HEESE-Factory, 12c; Sage, 13c.

ARESE,—Factory, 12c; Sage, 1965.

Gogos—Fresh, 25c per dozen.

ARD—In pails, best, 9c.

ROVISIONS—Wholesale — Clear salt

k, \$11 50 per bbl.; beef per side, 8½

n, smoked, 10½c; fowl, 10c; veal,

round hog, 5½c; lamb, 8c. Spring

ckens, 13@14c; native turkeys, 16@

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es the difference.

rofitable one. The health of the herd, table. en, should be the first thing to look Look after the ice supply as soon as eady for harvest. Twelve inches is thick enough where it is to be handled

by hand as with the farm supply. Other

work may wait but it pays to attend to he ice as soon as it is ready. Tanally there is a sluggish condition the butter trade following the holisysbut this year prices have advanced and buyers are picking up good stock spidly. The outlook was never better

for the dairymen east and west. Numerous inq siries have been received garding some of the intricate problem mest. Inquiries, communications and from a separator. plies are always welcome.

arm blank, as soon as filled, will be whatever the breed of cows. med in a government portfolio for seforn officers of the bureau.

ewers of our stock must be sustained. cheese. athe chase after popular pedigree and

In the report of the Maine Dairy Conears the very interesting statement that dwning upon the farmers of Maine, full powers. sterly state will ere long be reclaimed ad become the homes of happy and Osperous dairymen. Mr. Dodge took standard of qualities from the New ork market, and while there was a disition to criticise his work because of elow scores on the butter, his interest the product and willingness to point the causes of the defects were ap iated by the butter makers, many of hom will profit by what they saw and ard," The scores are given in full as the Maine papers.

he grained and consequently soft. Jereys and Guernseys are noted for the

taral solidity and grain of their butter

roduct. This distinction of grain comes nom the fact that the butter globules in s milk of Jerseys and Guernseys are

paratively large, while in the milk

BRAIN AND FLAVOR OF BUTTER. In another column we give a communifor from one of our thousands of in- tilled profitably. Small fruits will be gent readers, who does his own gent readers, who does his own planted in sufficient quantity for home use. The pasturage question will be diltention at Lewiston and evidently gently studied. Scrub stock from the gently studied. Scrub stock from the down in the fall, then the following he exercises. From what he saw and takening according to the horse will be bred off the spring seed to grass, without any dressing or without taking any crop from the taki the he asks for further light. While income at regular intervals, and these thresing our own views on some of the, we trust that our readers, intersided by no other the subject matter of his come farm machinery will be used, but not abused. Fences will able on the deed to many of the wnot abused. Fences will be used, but not abused. Fences will be used, but not abused. Fences will able on the deader on the tence of the fence of the fence of the fence of essing our own views on some of at least monthly. Farm machinery will ot pursue every point to a finish in cleaning to the minimum. The family te brief time of a single lecture. But horse and carriage will be a luxury probe brief time of a single lecture. But then they set their hearers to searching they set their hearers to searching they set their hearers to searching the for desired knowledge, as in this the Books, magazines and farm papers of the farm the time time time to be a luxury problem that the formula in the f te, they do a double service.

aic, solidity. firmness, body, in butter, is resolution enough! ifer in different breeds of cows, and the farmer has a big proposition on his hands, but such resolutions made that has been tickled and teased by farm is never a run out soil. It is the farmer has a big proposition on his hands, but such resolutions made that has been tickled and teased by form the hard have had carried out will be largely the solutional to be the case.

Yes, the farmer has a big proposition farm is never a run out soil. It is the farmer has been tickled and teased by form the farmer has brought along from the farmer has brought a are had experience with different ds. Ayrshire cows, as an example, thile furnishing some of the best milk the boys and girls on the farm. the world to be used in the whole m, make a butter comparatively too

to futurity sons and daughters who bless the dear old farm home.

The demand for cows is not as brisk as feed of the cows, and may be largely have a room purposely for the milk. year ago. The short fodder crop broken down by improper handling of the milk, cream or butter. Expert judges, and even dealers, do not note slight degrery owner of cattle should bear in fects in grain and body by their score, as hed that an unhealthy animal is an undo consumers when it is placed on the

Flavor in butter is altogether another matter. This is the first time we recall having the flavor of butter as a characteristic of breeds called up. In fact, this is a point that has not, to our knowledge, been investigated by disinterested authorities. . The writer has made, studied and tasted butter for many years, and from knowledge thus gained given in regard to grain. As fine a flavor, in and of itself alone, can be given to butter from Holstein cream as from any other breed of cows. We are fully aware that Jersey enthusiasts have claimed a superior flavor to the golden product of late from our readers for information their pet cows. But we are going to say be known that the best possible work is that the superiority claimed in this parntered along the way of work at ticular direction was the product of a farm. We are always glad to give imagination as truly as was that "sepsee matters attention. We wish it un arator flavor' the judge at Lewiston estood that our columns are always claimed to exist in a sample of New gen to our readers to be used for their Hampshire butter known to have come

assinated of recording the statistics an explanation of this ripening process Portland railroad. The company started iscretal farms on one schedule as here- with cream at this time—there is not up their business of making butter the re, each farm is to be entered on a room for it in this connection. But food first day of the present year. Their facarate blank so that no farmer can see and ripening the same, the flavor of the tory is built in a tasteful and attractive that his neighbor has given in. Each product will be substantially alike, from style, is equipped throughout with the

st keeping and will not be seen there- value, if it is not too high, when, in such ings, and is supplied with an abundant feror its contents known except by case, it becomes damaging. But color is supply of pure spring water for which The care and treatment of breeding of the value formerly attached to it. We Ricker of the Poland Spring House, E. ack while at the barn is one of the decline to discuss the relation of the col. P. Ricker, A. B. Ricker, F. D. True of met important problems that can end oring of butter to oleo, for the reason the Portland firm of D. W. True & Co. see the attention of the stockman. that there is no more relation between grocers, C. L. Keen and B. M. Fernald, them than between the moon and green of the corn packing firm of Fernald,

est records this has been too much Valancey E. Fuller is one of our best author success of the enterprise from the relloked. In our Institute Column thorities in the care of Jersey cows, start. Of course the Poland Spring all known breeder, touching this im- and great production. In such work the products of the creamery. The cream matter, copied from the Jersey health and strength of the cow must be gathering plan is to be adopted for the bilitin. Don't fail to give it careful sustained, at least in even balance with her production. While hundreds of farmers may feed four pounds cottonseed meal a day and make it pay for a time, mence given in the Produce Review, ap-Mr. Fuller's recommendation. It is a the possibilities of large development high art to draw three or four pounds of the dairy industry seem to be just butter a day from a cow and sustain her

our butter ever goes into that market. It is business sense to advertise our butter in the market where it is sold. And another thing, it is hard for our dairymen to see the justice or the propriety of an intentional and undeserved low score as a means of encouragement to

acres will be cultivated than can be twenty years or more. will be found on the sitting-room table

Yes, the farmer has a big proposition

Yours respectfully, Sweden. Mrs. KATE LIRBY. It is impossible to give a definite antion in results will be small indeed, and to all of it at one time than at another, on account of weather. It may be in churning, running off more of the fat in regard to flavor just the opposite of that of the product. For various reasons more water may remain in the finished butter at one time than at another. This is a frequent cause for a difference in the weight of butter realized from a given quantity of cream. At the creameries all these matters are tested that it may being done in all these directions.

ANOTHER NEW CREAMERY.

A new company, under the name of The Poland Dairy Company, has bought out the rights and good-will of the Pooow, intensified and modified in the rip- and equipped a new creamery near the latest and most approved apparatus, is 2. Natural color is of some slight located in the midst of cleanly surrounda property that can be so easily made the town of Poland is justly celebrated. uniform, that "natural" has lost much The directors of the company are H. W. Keen & True. These are all well known 3. It should be borne in mind that business men which is an assurance of

BENOVATING A FARM.

Editor Maine Farmer: I have a few questions to ask, and if not too much trouble would like to have them anbuy just at present.

Now for the questions: 2. Will land broken up in the fall and dressed with fifty bushels of ashes to the acre, and seeded to grass in early

farm is never a run out soil. It is the to be the case.

It is impossible to give a definite answer to this question without a personal swer to this question without a personal crop may be expected to be largely inknowledge of all conditions. With everycrease. But it is a question whether, The Farmer does not believe a single exbut you will have company, and can help from the parent. These in turn are thing done exactly the same at all times, for a first crop, oats and peas would not (and the cows in good health) the variagive more fodder than the grass. Peas the might win, but for the instruction he might win, but for the instruction he in the first rung and am trying to get in getock, and so on ad infinitum. If are an excellent renovating crop. not enough to demand attention. Some 2. With land plowed and stirred as done when it was found that the judge and high but I am going to try and to a logical end on this line, we find

where along the way from the cow to recommended in the preceding para- was placing so low a score, and giving no climb. Come on brother farmers. the finished product there are conditions graph, we should look for paying re- information, was to stop all judging and not the same at all times. It may be in sults. But it should be remembered put the work into the hands of a compethe creaming of the milk, getting nearer that ashes as a fertilizer are not so tent expert. The butter makers of Maine that they carry their efforts through a they were left to suffer. series of years. The account, therefore, The Union takes issue with the single year.

on a small scale, where one has not requirements which is to be condemned. plenty of money to use in the business,

SCORING BUTTER AT LEWISTON.

Under the above heading the Weekly Union, Manchester, N. H., takes up the question of scoring butter and butter exhis week we give an able article from a under the intensive pressure of high feed House will be a leading consumer of the hibitions in the following vigorous man-

"The dairymen of Maine are justly indignant over the work of the New York "expert" at their recent exhibition at Lewiston, and the Maine Farmer expresses itself very mildly, considering the evident facts in the case. We have long been of the opinion that this scoring swered. One year ago last March I business was a farce, and the Maine bought a "run-out" farm. My object is dairymen have felt, and have had exto put the fields in shape to produce a periences to justify the opinion, that in not see the propriety of going to New York for a judge, when not a pound of will carry only a small amount of the butter. It is time that there was will carry only a small amount of the butter. the least expense. The farm, at present, of the butter. It is time that there was will carry only a small amount of stock will carry only a small amount of stock at thorough understanding of what the without having more have then Least to score card represents, and while butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter terests of the butter maker when the legislature, we say, "We don't care about the butter terests of the butter without buying more hay than I care to score card represents, and while butter is made and put on the market to be My method is to break up a piece of sent where it happens to be called for in ground in the fall, and in the spring put the course of trade, there should be uniground in the fall, and in the spring put on what dressing I have, sowing to mixed grain, oats, barley and peas, seed ling down to grass. I am aware I am not stood for 50 points; by the one used in second for 50 points; by the secon greater efforts for improvement.

THE PROGERSSIVE FARMER'S NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

Till study to make farming more than plowing, sowing and reaping. Stock will be comfortably sheltered. No more will be comfortably sheltered. No more will be comfortably sheltered. No more agrees will be confortably sheltered. No more agrees will be confortable agree. It makes done of the main points, should be kept and love Jersey, because I believe that as adding the more instant ground as much as it should into the farm has been neglected for the New York market, or by a man from that city. In this state we had a man from Boston. Now, while flavor is the main point and the other than any of a few who live from hand to mouth as they need in this state it was 45. In Maine the butter of the was judged for the New York market, and love Jersey, because I believe that as adding them coming year. This is such a good plan that I write of it now to prod some of those who do not practice it for I know of a few who live from hand to mouth as that I write of it now to prod some of those who do not practice it for I know of a few who live from hand to mouth as a dairy breed for butter, five man for them, that I write of it now to prod some of them, can be stored for butter, five man down the coming year.

I was judged one of them must feel that he is the 'I out of wood."

| a 1,000-lb. cow per day. How does that he less the 'I out of wood."
| a 1,000-lb. cow per day. How does that hardly be allowed, except in small quantum am' and above being disputed, or he will I am aware that men who do this are

and grant teed to see that will be allowed freely and free one of field and there are as good judges of butter in out of his course but if he tends to the corn, then after the corn is harvested plow and fit for seeding to grass the follow and fit We will risk the owner of the farm the two samples in which the difference be in his pocket. Some will say, "who that are inclined to lay dark colored eggs have been from the same churning corn factory one or two hundred dollars, color. Yours truly, O. R. Jones. studying his own problems. A neglected for all he could detect, and such proved the packers of peas from fifty to two

so many farm homes—How shall we keep hausted. If we understand this writer's the great majority lose their reputations and bin. position, he wishes to increase the pro- and receive a check in their orders from The stock fodder, the foundation of The farmer who has the will power, duction of fodder crops on his farm as people who can taste printed reports all farm operations, well taken care of is

from Holsteins, Ayrshires and Herefords they are small.

Firmness in the butter is a characteristic of breeds, and also of individual cows. This, however, is modified by the feed and every way, also the same care given to the milk and ripening of the cows, and may be largely broken down by improper handling of Sweden.

Mes. KATE LIBBY.

The Farmer has refrained from severe have any cargo to store nor freight to criticism on the work done at Lewiston, hoping some explanation might be forthat intervals give the land a thorough pulverizing and stirring airing, will greatly aid its production. This is the course we criticism on the work done at Lewiston, hoping some explanation might be forthat the hay have before advanced in similar cases.

1. Plow as soon as practicable after the hay has been taken off, and then at intervals give the land a thorough pulverizing and stirring up during the results of the butter of superior quality for winter was given to same care in feed and every way, also the same care in feed and every way mainder of the season. The more the portion of Maine were anxious to learn this addition to your stock. Try this duction of strong, healthy, vigorous promptly active as some manures and were there to be protected, but instead,

> warranted by the facts. It was the abuse of 3. Experiments like these can be tried the system, the utter failure to meet the

In the hands of more than one Maine and are interesting to the operator and expert no such blunder would have refurnish important information for guid-sulted as was noticed by Mr. Butman in Will cream from co. ance in future work. Every farm is a the last Farmer. A Maine expert would taken collectively, if treated in the same obliged to keep them in a way to get a great experiment station. Bone meal, have measured the product by the like ashes, does not give out its full contract true standard, which must be the tents of material to the first crop. We highest grade possible at this season to Holstein, leaving the impression that progeny, and do justice to the breed. would recommend trying it at first only of the year, and, judged by this.

the great discrepancy between our score ideal. The only point to decide was a control of the great discrepancy between our score ideal. The only point to decide was a control of the great discrepancy between our score ideal. The only point to decide was a control of the greatest profit from them. Yet I 4. This would depend largely on how and that of New Hampshire could not man's fancy. V. E. Fuller advocates the greatest profit from them. Yet I a man is situated in regard to help and have been possible. It does not exist in Flavor is the result of the food of the land Dairying Association, and has built team. With plenty of help at hand and fact. Of this there is abundant proof. World's Fair test seems to indicate that team enough to do the work, the more The dairy exhibit at this yearly confer- he knows what he is talking about. I observed. In the farm census to be taken next ening of the cream. We cannot go into Poland station of the Rumford Falls and of the years the land is kept under the ence was started and has been maintained think, personally, my question is almost plow and producing cultivated crops, the to give publicity to the quality of our butgreater will be the crop production. The ter product as well as to assist in securlatter course suggested is the better ing uniformity in quality, and at Lewispractice, but whether best for the oper- ton the butter from Maine dairies, private different breeds as a whole (not individe sought for, the Jersey cow can not hope to ator in this case can only be judged and corporate, would compare favorably ual cows) when all conditions are known. It with that from any state. The truth of makes a wide difference whether the this statement cannot be called in quesburn," or must in every operation, look for prompt paying returns. It may or attention. Not a pound of butter should may not be desirable to return the land be pledged for the dairy conference of other cannot, every farmer should have corn silage and fodder and the use of into grass production as quickly as prac- 1900 until the fact is made certain that this point impressed on his mind. I other green forage crops in summer for ticable. Other crops may be more it will be judged upon its merits, and, know one Hereford breeder, a prominent soiling purposes, should compose the profitably grown for stock fodder than grass in some cases.

Enow one Hereford preeder, a prominent granger, who attends many state dairy made for defect the cause of that demeetings and institutes, takes great interest of the ration.

Economy must be the fact are for an possible shall be fect, so far as possible, shall be terest, sells butter and claims his cows chasing the different kinds of grain. recorded for the benefit of the ex-

hibitor. If color, salt or condition play no man willingly ignorant or am I radical where they can be easily obtained. part in scoring and perfection goes on in thinking he is off his base? everything, why not strike these sections ly applied. There is a big task before the Maine buttermaker to overcome the loss resulting from the injurious effects of the scoring done at Lewiston, but realizing that these are unjust, that comparisons with averages in other states. parisons with averages in other states are unfair and that the Maine product is one to be proud of, the only thing to do is to assert the justice of our position by pushing the quality of our goods upon title. It is, as we desire the oleo people to do. How would that idea take? I only speak of this to draw out your thought on value of color and how to be most satisfactorily of color and how to be most satisfactorily obtained. If breed will help out any, so that when, as farmers before the state

Where the production of the best qualnext public exhibition is held.

For the Maine Farmer.

butter may go to New York as well as to of wood on his land but never has much known breed. Is this all in my head, than every 15, 18, or 24 months, dependbutter may go to New York as well as to of wood on his land but never has much Boston, why should there be so much Boston, why should there be so much based on the bost of th Boston, why should there be so much difference in the standard for the two differences in the standard for the standa places? If this difference really exists, hacked away on as they needed wood to when facts prove to the contrary. there should be a judge from every large town where butter is sold, and then take the average of their judgments. But the another load. I can almost hear the

am' and above being disputed, or he will not act.

In Maine, this season, the highest score was 95, and only one sample got that. In for the fires for one year from next April.

In Maine, this season, the highest score of them. Now is the time to prepare the was 95, and only one sample got that. In for the fires for one year from next April. hundred more, string beans another tion of that problem which is agitating possible without manuring that is ex- to pay for the trouble of exhibiting, but April to November is at home in barn

duction of fodder crops on his farm as rapidly as possible, that he may be able to feed more stock to make more manure with which to grow more crops and only three or four are pleased with rebusiness ability and magnanimity of soul rapidly as possible, that he may be able to materalize such resolutions will give to feed more stock to make more manure under a system of competition where ly revenue, also if he has cows in milk

might receive. What should have been onto the next. I see the ladder is long this process is kept up and reasoned out

Glendon. J. M. WINSLOW.

For the Maine Farmer. A COMMUNICATION FULL OF POINTS.

By a Man Who Attended the Dairy Convention-I would like to ask two or three quescannot be balanced with the ashes in a system. of judging, a position not tions that that were not made quite clear, in fact, no one attempted any explanaanimal is governed upon the productive tion at the United States dairy meeting. A great deal of stress was placed on the capacity of this animal, either real or flavor of butter, I think 50 points. What imagined.

1. Will cream from cows of all breeds, manner, produce butter of equal grain and flavor? One speaker was favorable realize the greatest value from the Jerseys as being most desirable, and the think there are certain differences in the and I would like to see some remarks in ure so long as it is up to the legal standyour paper on the point of flavor via ard, and quantity is the only thing

dollars to every dairy farmer, not breed obtained by forcing them to the greatest can produce a desirable flavor that an-

2. Is not natural high color of any class food for the production of milk from the card? The score card system is value, or is it to be passed unnoticed? and they will certainly make lots of milk educative and sound when correctly used. We Maine farmers think it a terrible when fed in abundance. D ied grains or It becomes a positive evil when made to thing for oleo people to color their serve sectional interests or is but partial goods yellow, and many times almost can not so easily procure the fresh

will be found on the sitting-room table will b

PEEDING DAIRY AND BREZDING STOCK. BY EDWIN C. POWELL, NEW YORK,

VARIATION IN TIELD OF BUTTES.

We along with it, put his land into a more sold as to whether their success was really blues! Let us think of these things now and what kind of feed, and how should it be used?" admits of two answers—yes form me through your columns why

along with it, put his land into a more sults, and they are left in serious doubt monthly check. How it drives away the blues! Let us think of these things now and as the river blues! Let us think of feed, and how should it be used?" admits of two answers—yes he has entered upon. The simple operation of spring opens for if we do not start in the spring—the seed time—we shall not sure strong calves.

that the value put upon such animals is largely fictitious. We must have some measure of value besides pedigree, and and with dairy stock it must be the production of milk. Now the larger the production of the dam, the greater the value placed upon her progeny. So while pedigree and purity of blood are essential, yet the real value of any dairy

Thus it will be seen that the owner of a good herd of breeding stock will be

In the production of milk for the gencompete with some of the other breeds. As I look at it, this is a question of The most profit from such a dairy is

> Economy must be the guide in pur When sweet and fresh they are a first-

we don't want the manufacturer of the product to tell us: "You color your goods as much as we do."

I have been do it in the manufacturer of the product to tell us: "You color your goods as much as we do."

I have been do it in the production of milk, but are generally too

given up to a test of her productive ca pacity. A seven-day's test is an indi-cator of what a cow can do under high pressure for a short time, but a record covering a full year is of far greater During this time the milk should be weighed at each milking and a Babcock analysis taken at least once a month of a mixed sample of four con-

secutive days or eight milkings.

'IS IT FOR THE ADVANTAGE OF THE that saved the Union and banished hu-umited states to retain sovereign man slavery forever from our soil. They TY IN THE PHILIPPINES"

[Abstract of address delivered before the Somewille Forum. Nov. 19, 1899, by Hon. Albion A. Perry. Somerville, Mass.] In order that there may be no misanderstanding between the speaker and his hearers. let me say that my argument will be directed against the retention of the Philippines as a colonial ssion, for I think we have a right to assume that no man can be found to day who advocates out and out annexation of the islands to the United States. It seems to be conceded by every public speaker and every writer for the press if it could be shown that certain mathat the Filipinos are not to be clothed terial advantages would acrue to this country from the subjugation of the with full rights of citizenship, and, in particular, that they are not to be allowed to Filipinos, we ought still to oppose the enter into free commercial and industrial competition with our own people. In short, they are to remain a subject people, receiving such measure of

sate this great republic for standing in opportunity and privilege as our governthe eyes of the world as the invader of ment may be pleased to accord. the homes of weak and ignorant people In the first place let me ask you to consider some of the financial objections assassins of men who have dared to to the permanent retention of the Philipdream of political freedom: We cannot Probably there is no man in the afford to broaden the field of operation world better qualified to give an opin- for our plutocratic monopolists by;bloodion as to the commercial value of our shed and slaughter, or to set up as emnew possessions than Mr. Jas. Bryce, blems of our national grandeur the author of "The American Commonbattleship and Gatling gun in place of wealth", and surely this country has no the free ballot and the open-doored truer, more disinterested friend. In schoolhouse. We ought to scorn to speaking of the annexation of Hawaii. match in deadly battle the wealth and Mr, Bryce has said that the balance of power which God has bestowed upon advantage was against the United States, us against the poverty and impotence of and he adds that "the case against the tribes that dwell in huts and are armed acquisition of Cuba appears stronger with bows and arrows. A nation's than against that of Hawaii, and the honor ought to be dearer to its people case against the Philippines strongest of than any trade advantages, and the The distinguished author declares honor of this nation is involved in this that "the United States will render a far strange war in the Philippines. greater service to humanity by develop-The war with Spain was undertaken ing a high type of industrial civilfor a righteous purpose. The sympaization on her own continent—a civilizathies of our people naturally went out tion conspicuously free, enlightened and to those who were struggling for freepacific-than by any foreign conquest." dom, and the sympathy was intensified by Very significant is his statement that the knowledge that the insurgents were st prudent English statesmen have fighting against the rule of such a cruel held that had Great Britain been able and tyrannical power as Spain. We saw to foresee the course of events she ought the fruitful Cuban isle devastated by a to have refrained from conquering India, host of marauders and assassins, its cities

that now attach to it." The most intelligent and unbiase students of the Philippine question while recognizing the great natural resources of the islands, declare that those resources cannot be profitable develope except by "contract labor", so called; and this really means a form of slave labor with which the American people ought never to soil their hands. Living is such a simple thing in the Philippines, and the tropical climate has such an enervating effect upon the inhabitants, that the natives cannot be induced to work with energy and regularity, The only hope of success in producing and marketing the staple commodities of the country lies in the employment of cheap Chinese labor under the degrading "contract" system. It must also be taken into account that the productiveness of the soil and the cheapness of labor in the Philippines are largely offset by the remoteness of the island from the world's great markets. The value of the merchandise is consumed in freight charges for shipment to centers of consumption.

so great are the risks and liabilities

The most strenuous advocates of expansion tacitly admit that it would be an injury to our people if the markets of this country were freely opened to commodities produced in the Philippine islands. For protection against the cheap labor and cheap goods of our tropical dependencies, it is promised that a high tariff shall be maintained and rigid immigration laws enacted. Do you believe, my friends, that it is either ing down of the flag." Nothing was rewise or just to exercise permanent sovereignty over millions of people who lofty and humane principles which Presare unfit for citizenship in the republic, ident McKinley so eloquently voiced in whose goods must be kept out of our the early days of his administration. Of If our provincial possessions are al-

lowed to carry on a free exchange of that people are beginning to forget what the flag stands for. I say, wherever that it will deprive the government of large flag can float as the emblem of honorable revenues, disturb many business interests and cheapen labor in many fields. and may no man or nation dare to dis-It is said that free trade with our colonies would involve a loss of revenue to our government, on sugar alone, of not of the world as the symbol of tyranny less than \$50,000,000, annually, and it would mean financial ruin to the American producers of sugar.

In order to maintain the sovereignty of the United States in the Philippines and preserve order there, it will be nec essary to keep a large standing army or the land and warships in the harbors. This we cannot afford to do. We need the money for better, nobler purposes At the present time we are spending from one to two million dollars each week in carrying on the war with the Filipinos. How long, think you, will it take to get back through trade channels,

the treasure which is being thus wasted? The cost of war does not stop ever when the last shot is fired and the contending armies are disbanded. Today nearly one million names are on th nist with whom we are now playing the pension rolls of our government, and the annual disbursement for pensions amounts to about \$150,000,000. God forbid that I should advocate a niggardly policy toward the veterans of the army

WO hundred bushels of Potatoes remove

the Philippines ought to have been over eighty pounds of "actual" Potlong before this, then every drop of blood ash from the soil. One thouhereafter shed is a stain on the republic's sand pounds of a fertilizer containing 8% "actual" Potash the United States to establish stable governments in the far-off islands of the will supply just the amount Pacific even if we have to wade through seas of blood to do it, and to shower the needed. If there is a de-blessings of civilization on the inhabit ficiency of Potash, there will be ants of the Philippine Archipelago. President McKinley has recently assured a falling-off in the crop. us that the Filipinos will be given "a

We have some valuable books telling about composition, use and value of fertilizers for various crops. They are sent free.

GERMAN KALI WORKS.

man slavery forever from our soil. They earned their pensions, and the money i cheerfully paid by a people grateful for their heroic services. The point I desire to make is this - that we chould b

careful not to engage in unnecessary

wars that will add many thousand

more names to the pension list. I

venture the prediction that all the prof-

it which the people of the United States will derive during the next one hun-

dred years from control of the Philip-

pines will not equal the sum paid out

during the same term for pensions occa-

sioned by warfare in the islands. Even

aggressive policy of the present admin-

istration. There are no political or

commercial benefits which can compen

Spanish nation were driven, let us hope

forever, from the Western Hemisphere.

had not men's heads been turned by the

been corrupted with the greed for gold.

our sister nations by trampling under

foot the moral law. This republic which

ought to be loved and honored by all the

peoples of the earth as the great univer-

sity of democracy and citadel of liberty

every quarter of the globe. We cannot

afford even to gain the hatred of the Fili-

pinos by any act of injustice or bad faith.

We might have, and we ought to have,

their love to-day. To have gained that

love no sacrifice of national honor on our

part was demanded, no "retreat before

an armed enemy", no ignominious "haul"

quired except faithful adherence to those

late, there has been so much florid decla

mation about "hauling down the flag"

peace or of righteous war, let it float,

turb its sacred folds; but God forbid

that it should ever wave before the eves

and oppression. It is not so bad to hau

down the flag as it is to haul down those

immortal principles of liberty and justice

of which the flag has been such a glori

As a great, a powerful, a magnanimo

people, let us make haste to right the

wrong we have already done. Let us

give to the Filipinos some definite assur-

ance of a free and independent govern-

nent and this before another life is sac-

we were carrying on war with a power-

ful nation, if forces were more evenly

matched, there might be some glory,

from a purely military standpoint, in de

manding unconditional surrender: but

there is neither glory nor justice in mak-

ing such a demand of the feeble antago

game of hide-and-seek in the Philippines.

By a declaration in favor of self govern

ment for the Filipinos, similar to that

made by Congress in behalf of the Cu-

bans, hostilities would immediately be

brought to an end, and good feeling

would take the place of the deadly en

mity which exists to-day. If Admiral

Dewey is right in saying that the war in

We are told that it is the mission of

government of liberty, regulated by law,

honestly administered;" that they will

have "taxation without tyranny, justice

without bribe, education without dis-

tinction of social conditions." This is

all very fine in theory, but it does not

tally closely with existing conditions in

certain parts of our own country. Strange, indeed, will it be if we can conduct public education in a Malay colony

ous emblem



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"without distinction of social con ditions," while here at home we are dwelling in far off isles of the sea-of obliged to maintain schools to match the tint of children's cheeks. This is the case, not alone in the Southern states, but the courts of the great Empire stat of the country have just upheld their school officials in excluding colored pupils from schools where white children are taught. I sometimes think that the President's eyes are so firmly fixed on the ideal conditions which are to result from an imperialistic policy in the Philippines, that he overlooks certain startling symptoms manifesting them selves almost within sight of the White House. Some of us are so old-fashioned as to believe that we shall best belo other nations in working out their galvation by attending strictly to home business and working out our own.

It is an insult to speak of this republic as a "hermit nation". We have long been the leader of the world along the pathway of progress and civilization. We did not need to go to far-off islands of the sea to disclose the splendors of a government resting upon the consent of the gov erned,-of a country where every citizen, the humblest as well as the highest i born to an inheritance of freedom. The world was fast coming to us. Through turned into loathsome prison pens, its our hospitable gateways mighty armies soil drenched with patriot's blood. of the poor and oppressed were march-This terrible revel of torture and death ing from every quarter of the globe, their eyes fixed on the star of liberty, was going on month after month at our very doors, and the so-called civilized their ears filled with the glad song of and Christian nations of the earth were looking on in mooking silence and with opportunity. By the intellectual and averted gaze. The patience of our liberwere drawing to us the peoples of the ty-loving people was exhausted, their sense of justice could no longer be earth as silently and irresistibly as the moon draws the ocean tides. curbed. At last we unsheathed the

God forbid that our eves should be come blinded as the light of a new century flushes the eastern sky, so that we lose sight of those gleaming landmarks of liberty which the fathers set up for the inspiration and guidance of their sons. Let us not forget that now, as of old, "righteousness exalteth nation". For my part I would rather see my country's flag floating over one square mile of territory where the inalienable rights of man are respected and Liberty has her home, than to see it waving over a world-wide empire cursed with tyranny and misrule.

A YEAR AT THE STOCK YARDS.

Statistics of the Boston Live Stock Market for the Year Just Ended. is coming to be doubted and feared in

The Farmer presents herewith the ar nual statement of the amount of live stock at Watertown and Brighton stock yards, showing the increase or decreas as compared with the *twelve preceding vears:

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Veals.	Fat Hogs	s. Pigs.
	188.539	379.615			_
98	192.853	493,608	79,619	1,489,48	83 7.192
97	229.167	558.795	03	1,420,29	4 11,190
96	225.854	686,451	8	1.425.20	6 9.535
98	168.461	783,735		1,380.20	2 10.176
94	182,278	688.424	73,996	1.662,67	1 10,010
93	151.188	530,064	80,315	1,366,266	8
892	188,953	571,980	80,495	1,630,98	10
91	161,167	588,709	77,084	1,465,09	9 7.726
90	167.974	583,545		1.312.97	1 9.665
889	167.842	540,460	58.565	1.143.31	4 9.173
888	124.416	538,490		1.038.82	2
87	99.584	591.476	46.448	1,039,69	Ci

over 6c.

The following table is given for refer ence, showing the number of cattle and sheep from each of the New England rificed or another home destroyed. If States, northern New York, Canada and the West, for each quarter, with the total receipts for 1899, and each of the eight preceding years:

				CALLER					
	Maine.	N.H.	VE.	Mass.	R. I. &	N.Y.	West.	Canada.	H
larch 29.	3,080	1,835	1.558	3,707	7.00	25.00	28,736		40
lept. 27.	3,527	2,928	3,182	8,228	40	:10	33,485	4.142	44
Total, 1899	12,837	10,126	8.771	15,329	297	29	125,373	15,778	18
1898	11,397	7,500	5.927	11,421	60.	223	143,823	12,470	19
1896	8.604	8,350	8,097	8,775	46	1,052	189.211		100
1895	7,168	7,180	8,263	6,726	311	686	138,137		16
1894	9,111	6,044	7,318	7.644	341	723	119,324		15
1892	6.301	6,994	7,369	5,778	138	1.369	126,825		18

NEW 20TH CENTURY GREAM SEPARATORS



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sword, we unloosed the warships, and in a few short months the military and naval forces of that haughty and cruel It was a righteous cause, I repeat, and its triumph was speedy, decisive, sublime. It raised us to the most exalted plane ever occupied by a nation of the earth, and there we might have remained dream of empire, had not their hearts We cannot afford to lose the respect of

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Veals.	Fat Hogs.	Pigs.
1899		379.615	91.789		
1898		493,608	79,619	1,489,483	
1897		558.795	92,261		
1896		686,451	82,628	1.425,206	9.636
1895	168,461	783,735	75.427	1,380,202	10,176
1894		688,424	73,996	1.662,671	10,010
1893	151.188		80,315	1,366,268	6,892
1892	188,953		80.495	1.630,985	5,589
1891	161.167		77.084	1.465,099	7.725
1890	167.974		74.234	1.812.971	9.665
1889	167.342	540,460	58.565	1.143.314	9.173
1888	124.416	538,490	53.274	1.038.827	7.191
1887	99,584	591,476	46,448	1,039,692	6,911

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1897	11.957	9.954	6,521	11,002	119	595	180.878	8,140	_
1896	8,604	8,350	8,097	8,775	46	1,052	189,211	1,719	_
1895	7,168	7,180	8,253	6,726	311	686	138,137		_
1894	6,622	6,044	6,770	6,410	178	848	155,304		_
1893	9,111	6,671	7,318	7.644	341	728	119,324	26	_
1892	7.120	6.994	7,369	5,778	96	768	160,825		_
1891	6,301	7.874	9.875	5.785	118	1.369	125,359	4.686	_

In Addison, Dec. 25, Stilman B. Nash to Miss Lizzie S. Norton, both of Addison. In Audurn, Dec. 25, Merle V. Richardson, formerly of Norway, to Miss Mill cent E. Boober, both of Audurn. In Bangor, Dec. 20, Angus A. Myers of Orono to Miss Alice Bachanan of Old Fown. In Bridgton, Dec. 20, Horace B. Woodman to Miss Lois A. Atwood; Dec. 23, Almon B. Perry to Miss Amy E. Hunt. In Bridgton, Dec. 23, Frank William Lewis to Miss Jennie Augusta Gray, ali of Bridgton. In Broke, Dec 20, Frank William Lewis to Miss Jennie Augusta Gray, ali of Bridgton. In Brokesport, Dec. 20, Howard E. Churchill to Miss Flora Belie Hutchins In Endesport, Dec. 20, Howard E. Churchill to Miss Flora Belie Hutchins In Cheryfield, Dec. 25, Deroy A. Wheeler of Paris to Miss Eunice M. Davis of Burnham. In Cheryfield, Dec. 21, Oliver L. Anderson of Bar Harbor to Miss Maude E. McDevitt of Cheryfield.

In Chesterville, Dec. 23, Albert Haskell to Miss Flora Belie form when it becomes clogged? They are unable to throw out more.

In East Dixfield, Dec. 19, 8 Warren Look of
North Jay to Miss Myr le M. Wasker of Wilson.

In East Machias, Dec. 25, Charles Oakes of
Bangor to Miss Nana Upton of East Machias.

In Eastport, Dec. 20, William F. Capen to
Miss Fanne D. Mailcot; Dec. 25, William A.
Armstrong to Miss Nina M. Bishop, all of
Eastport. Lastport.
In Exeter, Dec. 25, Stephen F. Lawrence to
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In Frankfort, Dec. 25, Chalmers B. Clark to
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Marion A. Hescock.

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In New Gloucester, Dec. 23, Guy R. Estes to Miss Anna P. Bennett, both of Norway.

In New Vineyard, Dec. 24, Arthur F. Seavey of Industry, to Miss Delia L. Fish.

In Norridgewock. Dec. 23, Robert R. Walton to Miss Madas Flaven.

In North Bridgton, Dec. 24, Llewellyn J. Saunders to Miss Marge Flaven.

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port.
In Saco, Dec. 20, Frank Scamman to Miss Gertrude M. Hill: Dec. 26, Everett M. Staples to Miss Inez M. Hill.
In Saubornville, N. H., Dec. 26, Leon M. Lougley of Norway, to Miss Edna M. Sibley of Sanbornville.

Died.

In this city, Jan. 4, Chas. Goldsmith, aged 85 years, 11 months. In this city, Jan. 4, Mrs. A. J. Reynolds. In this city, Jan. 5, Benj. F. Pease, aged 81 at a low figure for a cheap class of trade and for canning purposes. The Jews In this city, Jan. 6, Mrs. Cyrene Haskell, aged 78 years, 10 mouths. In this city, Jan. 6, Joseph Foye, aged 48 are free buyers in slim cattle, paying from 2½(@3½c. per lb. live weight. Nice beef cattle command as high as 7½c., the very top notch, down to 5c. Good Eastern oxen from 4¾(@6c.

The demand for sheep and lambs has 1 Bridgton, Dec. 21, Mrs. Betsy Morrison, aged 63 years; Dec. 24, Mrs. Ila Warren, aged 65 years. not been such as to command strong a years.

Years.

In Burnham, Dec. 25, Mae B. Allen.
In Clifton, Dec. 21, Wm. H. Rankin, aged 63 prices. The ruling rates on lambs have been from 4½(@5½c., and on sheep, 2½ (@3½c. Last December, lambs were selling at 4½(@5½c., and are about that range now. Last December, fat hoge cost, laid down here, 3½(@3½c.; in July, 4½(@4¾c.; in September, 4½(@5½c, and cost, this past month, 3½(@4½c. Veal calves have ranged, during the year, at laines Pease, aged 74 years.)

Milch cows have been quite a commodyards for handling cows is first class, having a building that will tie up 500 head, and by another spring room for 900 head in one building will be completed. Here they have all descriptions from a \$20 cow up to \$80, \$90 and even \$100. Within a week there has been a cow from Maine sold at Brighton at \$90;

has given, for the past eight days, 30 quarts milk per day, that weighed 60 lbs. milk per day, by actual weight. She was a cow that weighed, before calving, 1,562 lbs., and is 6 years old.

Boston is a great centre for the selling of horses, both for speed, coach, road-sters and family horses, and auction sales are noticed every week. The Fitchburg Railroad has a good proportion of the live stock traffic, and as noticed in the above table, their sheep transportation is far ahead of all the other roads, and hogs from the West are about equally divided between the Fitchburg Railroad and Boston & Albany road.

ITEMS AND INCIDENTS.

If you have catarrh, rheumatism, or dyspepsia, take Hood's Sarsaparilla and be cured as thousands of others have son, aged 64 years, 9 months; Dec. 21, Mary Jane Subley, aged 74 years, 8 months.

Mamma. "When the bad street boy called you those wicked names I hope you didn't call him any back?" Ostend. "Me? No, I only said one

ord, mamma."
Mamma. "What was that, my son?"
Ostend. "Ditto!"—Chicago News. If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth, be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mas. Winstow's SOOTHING SYRUF. for children teething. It soothes the child, soft engthe gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhosa. Twenty five cents a bottle.

Mrs. McPhidget: "Who wrote the 'There's Only One Girl in the

Mr. McPhidget: "Adam, I guess." Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 0c, 25c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money Wife of Patient. "I'm so sorry, Doctor, to bring you all the way to Dexter to see my husband.'

to see my husband."

Doctor (from Mayfair). "Pray don't
mention it, my dear madam, I have another patient in this neighborhood, so
I'm killing two birds with one stone!" Throat Sore? There's no telling what a sore throat will do if you give it 'right of way." Uncertain remedies often cause daugerous delay. Make a cure sure with Parn-Killer, known for half a century as a specific for sore throat, croup, coughs, and all kindred troubles. Keep it by you for an emergency. It never fails. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Palp-Killer, Perry Davis'. Price 25c and 50c.

Married.

Miss Maude Holmes.
In Gardiner, Dec. 19, William C. Hudson to
Miss Ida M Doyle,
In Gouldsboro, Dec. 20, Joseph A. Sargent
to Mrs. Enma J. Bunker.
In Greene, Dec. 25, Charles Carpenter to
Miss Hattle M. Beckler.
In Harrington, Dec. 26, Henry A. Jordan of
Milbridge to Miss Greene W. Henry M. Miss Hattie M. Beckler.

In Harrington, Dec 25, Henry A. Jordan of Milbridge to Miss Grace E. Hutchins of Cherryfield.

In Hodydon, Dec. 20, Herbert J. Dumphy to Miss Mande L. Hughes.

In Howland. Dec. 25, Edmond L. Hughes to Miss Iza H. York; Dec. 25, Floyd L. Fox to Miss Iza H. York; Dec. 25, Floyd L. Fox to Miss Augle M. Goodwin, both of Lowell.

In Lewiston, Dec. 25, John C. Linney to Miss Nettle May Frazier.

In Lincoln, Dec. 25, Fred Harrison to Miss Emma D. Taylor.

In Lisbon, Dec. 25, Oswald L. Totten to Miss Lillian L. Pro-tor, both of Lisbon.

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Cattle. 108,926 6,268 12,706 60,802 4,150

267,123 72,056 36,438 3,998 3,998

Cattle. 63,532 18,999 14,315 87,608

This has not been a very eventful year

in the marketing of live stock. There

was an increase in fat hogs, veal calves

and horses, and a decrease in cattle, sheep

and store pigs. The decrease in cattle,

4,314 head; in sheep, 113,893; in store

pigs, 1,996, while the increase in fat hogs

was 192,372; in horses, 3,540; in calves,

12,130. The total of horses was 25,050

head, of which the bulk were from the

West. These figures in horses do not in-

clude near-by acclimated horses, of which

there were sold, for a fair estimate, 8,000

The changes in values on beef cattle

have been on the better class chiefly,

while common beef cows, &c., have sold

Vernon:

In Machias, Dec. 23, Melville A. Drisko of Harrington, to Miss Nettie Mahoney of Machias; Dec. 23, Charles C. Perry to Miss M. Eunice Gratto, both of Machias; Dec. 23, Bennie Albee to Miss Evie M. Barstow, both of

Of Sanbornville.

In Sebago, Dec. 23, Geo. Everett Anderson to Miss Fannie Florence McLucas, formerly of Casco, all of No Sebago.

In Skowhegan, Dec. 24, Harry E. Jacobs to Mrs. Agnes B. Savage, both of Oakland; Dec. 21, Charles E. McLutyre to Miss Minnie M. Gould, both of Skowhegan; Dec. 25, Stephen S. Adams to Miss Maude E. Murray, both of Skowhegan Skowlegau 1: South Cushing, Dec. 25, Ansel W. Orne to Miss Florence E. Fillmore. In South Gorham, Dec. 23, Fred J. Libby of South Fortland, to Miss Lizzle South of North

South Portland, to Sales of the Scarborn to Scarborn vale, Dec. 20, Harry J. Sanborn to Miss H. Mabel Nason.

In Webster, Dec. 23, Irvin R. Frost of Wales to Miss Jennie E. Maxwell of Webster.

caives nave ranged, during the year, at 31/2014c.; in most of the months not aged 31 years 1 month. agod 31 years 1 month.

In Ellsworth, Dec. 23, Capt. John Davis, agod 77 years.
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widow of Dr. William H. Jewett, aged 46
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In Orono Dec. 31, George H. Richards, aged
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aged 77, years, 9 months.
In Oxford, Dec. 14, Mrs. Amanda J. Robinson, aged 62 years, 7 months.
In Portland, Dec. 24, Rhoda M. Walker,
aged 69 years, 7 months.
In Portland, Dec. 24, Rhoda M. Walker,
aged 69 years, 8 ecc. 25, Caroline C. Higgins,
aged 64 years, 6 months; Dec. 27, Neilie L.
Blair, aged 31 years, 10 months; Dec. 28, Miss
Clara Veinot; Dec. 28, Susan M., wife of Horace H. Ricker, aged 63 years, 8 months; Dec.
28, Danie C. Britt, aged 44 years; Dec. 29,
George W. Johnson, aged 59 years, 2 months;
Dec. 29, Mrs. Mary A. Offen, aged 85 years,
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William H. Nugent.
In Prospect, Dec. 19, Mrs. Joseph Harriman,
aged 84 years.
In Rockland, Dec. 22, Capt. Oliver E. Jame-

In Bockson, 12c., 20 months; Dec. 21, Mary Jane Sibley, aged 74 years, 8 months. In South Casco, Dec. 29, William Dingley, Jr., aged 79 years, 10 months. In South Paris, Dec. 24. Mrs. Ichabod Faunce, aged 83 years, 10 months. In Temple, Dec. 24. Florence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo F Blodgett, aged 5 years. In Vassalboro, Dec. 29, Elijah Cook, aged 60 years.

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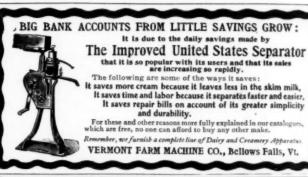
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Dec. 26, 1899. EDWARD H. MOSHER.

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The year 1899 has been the best known for many years for the poultry keeper who was successful in hatching his stock but the year 1900 promises to eclipse all cords. The demand for our poultry products from abroad is so great that to satisfy that for healthy, rugged chicks there is every reason for urging a great to be possible, there must be a superincrease in the coming crop of chickens.

Don't get wild over incubators and brooders, but take time to read up the of force. The males intended for breedquestion and study different machines. More of these helps will be needed in the hens until the breeding season opens. 1900 than ever, but the man must first know what he wants to do, and then go ahead to do it. The incubator and brooder are becoming a necessity in profitable poultry business.

In placing orders for eggs for hatching it may not be amiss to bear in mind that the man who keeps one or two varieties so comfortable as to be taking on fat and breeds them year after year will be more likely to preserve the characteris-tics of each breed than would be possible them as with the males, work is the sole salvation of the owner. if he kept a score or more of breeds. No man can carry the ideal of a dozen breeds clear and distinct and ideals govern in fixing type.

The Farmer would urge upon our fair officials, state and county, that in making the premium lists for 1900 they provide for dressed poultry, old and young, and eggs. If the object is to promote an industry then surely the business side claims our attention. It needs only that a good sized show case be secured and premiums, not large in amount, but scattered over different breeds, be offered for an interest to be awakened which will surely be of profit to the grower and the society as well. Let's get a little nearer practical lines of helpfulness this year, and see what can be accomplished.

The very best results in egg production breeder's yard than any cross that can be be secured. But if he is a business man he will create a demand for pure-bred eggs for sitting, not only in his own dismatter how choice your stock its merits will not be known unless you publish the story to the world. A short, comprehensive, catchy ad. will always attract attention. Try the Maine Furmer this year, not for one week but long enough for people to become acquainted with you and your goods. Then the dollars will flow in.

WHAT CAN HE DO!

Are you breeding poultry for the market? If so, have you figured the sure your flocks average this year 130 each, a equally valuable specimens. heavy egg producers, and the result ment in the blood is the disposition to next year will be a flock ready to increase production at least one dozen per head, and the investment pays a big rate of interest. All this can be done by every man keeping poultry but he must

bred from a pen of noted layers, one causes. First, the tendency of fowl to of riding an animal with an artificial whose dams and granddams have been revert to type—that is, the strongest ele- gait. The movement of a single-footer heavy egg producers, and the result ment in the blood is the disposition to is less agitating than that of a rocking every man keeping poultry but he must In the second place, prize winners are know what he wants and think of some. in one sense artificial specimens which thing more than simply feathers and bave no fixed standard. We say this in

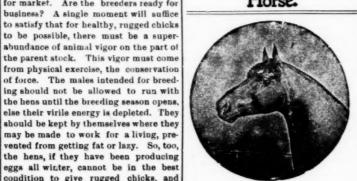
grows one hundred or five hundred breeds, color and shape are hard to mainchicks and from these selects a pair tain. which are prize winners, but what of These are the principal reasons why great majority? Are they above medi- novices fail the second year and become ocrity? Another brings out a phenome- discouraged. Experience in the work Horse Owners! Use nal egg record made by a single hen but and familiarity with the fanciers' trade what of the flock? Are all of the hens are essential to success. No man can producing 150 eggs or more? If so, here spring into high place in any business or is the place to stop and purchase. The profession and hold his rank without trouble has been the blue ribbon, high having a foundation in knowledge. 187 Northern Ave., Augusta, Me.

| EAVY WRAPPING PAPER, in large pair and never stop to ask, what of the substants of substants of the substan

which the industry must be brought. The selling of birds at low price is a followed by two or three months of full Far better to secure a bird of medium mistake. A fancier's fowl is never sold feeding in winter will put them in shape worth from a flock every one as good, for \$1 or \$1.50 Good birds for egg and for the spring market. meat purposes can be had at that rate, but not the kind that gets the winners at the dealer; he has stables or sheds. In than a medium bird from a flock where one or two are extra fine and the remainder only culls. Blood tells and the time shows. A single specimen may now and many cases he can make some use of the has come when the poultry breeder must then be picked up from a cheap flock horses while fattening them. He ought recognize this not only in measuring purity of strain but growth and productiveness. There is just as much good the points, and may be just the bird good extra \$10 to \$20 profit from the needed to mate with an established familial sale of the thoroughly fattened horse. purity of strain but growth and producbreeding in a pound of meat or the egg ly, but the chances are that it will, in "Of course the profit will depend in a basket as the comb and feathers, and the first two are more profitable to grow. We are caught by the high price paid for bred birds maintain stamina. the first prize bird and go wild to grow

beginner, he can pretty surely count on to put them in fair condition and sell at developing into a fancier, but if he jumps a correspondingly low price. Blemisher a man could produce a flock of great to the front without experience he is count for much. No harm comes from likely to jump back again out of sight. This rule holds good with those who go to market by May 15th to weigh 13/4 try of producers, also their prepotency to aspire to become 'large raisers' in one ing," such as tail docking, mane trimbeget their like the price for the flock year. It is safer to spread that ambition would exceed that paid for any pen of over several years. In time the breeder fancy markings seen. Combine the two of fowl for market may reasonably calthe Maine Farmer if you want orders as we may yet the question uppermost culate on becoming a fancier, but there are lessons to learn all along the way. And the necessary qualities to insure success in any business are perseverance By the first of February the live poul- pluck and industry."

Horse.



Harry Lee, Augusta, knows a good and having an easy time of it. With horse when he sees it, and always has something fast and promising to show Just now it is a pair of 16 hand, light chestnuts with manes and tails to match. business. Clear out the pens and ex-When ready for the market they will make a stylish pair.

No one fact goes so far to prove the superiority of Maine horses as that with the small amount of breeding the past five years, there is now developing on the farms of the state a surprisingly large number of good sized, stylish invite activity. For the rest of the day, horses. They are to be seen in every community. They will be wanted before and oblige them to scratch. Feed but spring opens.

The American Sportsman says:

"When you produce 2.20 trotters from Hang a cabbage where they must jump family mares, bred to \$10 stallions to pick it. Feed a little green bone gooseberries will grow on elderberry pounded or cut, and cut clover in the bushes. It is true holy writ that men mash. Remember the whole year's operations depend upon the condition of the do not gather grapes from thorns nor figs from thistles." In Maine the great parent stock, and that early chickens pay have been attained by pure breds. They the biggest profit. Keep the birds at bulk of most noted horses have been are far more profitable on a farm or in a work until Feb. 1, whether they lay or bred from family mares; those tried and not. If fat, reduce the same. Fit them not found wanting in actual family use produced. Of course it entirely remains as the race horse is fitted, by careful those trained to service for all the fam with the farmer how much profit is to feeding and plenty of exercise. It will ily. The mares have been all right, but make a vast difference when the first the hap-hazard method of selecting hundred eggs go into the incubator stallions is what has given such a raft whether the hatch is 10 or 80 per cent. of dead wood in the stalls. Some of the trict, but all over the country and this yet the whole problem is practically in best producing stallions have stood at can only be done by advertising. No your hands to-day. Now is the time \$10,00, some of the poorest at many to prepare; the next thirty days the times that fee. It's the horse and no golden opportunity. Eggs hatch as soon the fee which determines whether the

crop is gooseberries or elderberries. as hens get out of doors upon the ground. One peculiarity of the return of the which insures fertility and virility. The same can be accomplished in the hen horse to favor has been the great impetus given to horseback riding. There houses by observing the hints here given, and the year made one of profit to every are probably more saddle horses in use grower in the state. Look after these in Greater New York to-day than in any previous time in its history, and interest in that noblest and best of all forms of exercise is increasing rapidly. Park Elsewhere we touch upon some im- guards declare there are more saddle outcome from the purchase of a pure bred male out of some noted meat mak. decide under the heading "What of the paths than at any time since the park family? Your hens weigh alive four Flock." In support of the position taken police system was inaugurated, and this to five pounds, and supposing you bring the following from the American Poultry is especially true of the number of womin a male having large leg, strong bill,

Journal comes as a strong endorsement: en riders. That equine exercise is bepronounced masculinity in the head,

"The question of how to begin in the coming a fad is shown by the number of with broad, short back, a bird to weigh poultry business is one of importance. beginners, who are quite as numerous a eight to nine pounds, what would be the There must be beginners or there can be those proficient in the art. "Professors' natural expectation? Ought you not to no true fanciers, but a very serious fault of equestrianism declare that they have add one-half pound to the weight of the chicks at 4 months over what they would pect to become 'fanciers' at the very fill. There are as many, if not more, weigh if the male had a smaller leg, nar-rower body and weighed perhaps seven pounds? If you raise 100 chicks to market the investment will pay for itself some more of the same kind. They hold for "gaited" horse, and of this class the many times over, while the size and the belief that 'like produces like,' and, single-footer is the favorite. This dequality of the pullets saved for next therefore, if they place a pen of prize mand is greater than can be supplied, as year's operations will be vastly improved. winners at work, the next season will such horses have to be specially broken But, supposing you are after eggs, and see them surrounded with a host of and are high-priced. While the singlefooter is excusable for women, horsepretty high average as ficeks go. Go The fact is, the breeding of prize win- men find it hard to understand why an out and buy a long, slim bodied male ners is an art. This is owing to several able-bodied man will contract the habit Horse Useful", the December quarterly

fitting draft and driving stock by put-

in both directions. Be content with one and make it pay in 1900.

WHAT OF THE FLOCK!

The enterprising poultryman is already preparing for the season of 1900 casting about to see where best he can obtain fresh food or secure eggs for hatching. Just at this time a little word of caution fits into the case very nicely. A man of a prize. Even with the established may be and the case very nicely. A man of a prize. Even with the established and make it pay in 1900.

In their detailed interpretation of that work, and no exact reading can be given in the work, and no exact reading can be given woull prefer them five years old. Why can't many farmers in either rear colts and work them as three-year-olds. As a refew breeders who coincide on the first point, namely, shape. It therefore just the best markets are in the fall and early spring, although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together again, Patchen deally spring although the demand has prize to fire at. Patchen raced now only year-lings or two-year-olds? As a rule the best markets are in the fall and early spring, although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together again, Patchen deally spring although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together reac colts and work them as three-year-olds? As a rule the best markets are in the fall and early spring, although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together reac colts and work them as three-year-olds? As a rule the best markets are in the fall and early spring, although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together reac colts and work them as three-year-olds? As a rule the best markets are in the fall and early spring, although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came together again, Patchen deally spring although the demand has pipped to California to winter, where they came to prove the transmit any in the world. R. better they are four years old. Why the ta work, and no exact reading can be given horses before they are four years old and the horses in shape for the fall market; of more farm-grown rough forage,

Caustic GOMBAULT'S score or great record on the part of a single individual has swept many an inferior family into prominence only to be cast ahows; in the yards of admitted fanciers one side as soon as the real test is applied. Somehow we all want breeding birds or eggs direct from the first prize no beginner should attamnt to sall high.

that shows phenomenal color, shape and to know how to feed, and there seems no

the hands of a novice, cast back to a large degree on having a good horse to ruinous weakness. Only confirmed line-feed. Some are so inferior in form that no amount of fat would make them sell If a beginner is contented to start as a well. Possibly it is best in such cases moderate collar or harness marks. On the other hand attempts at "fancy fix ming, etc., do not pay and frequently reduce selling price.

ARE THE HORSES READY!

With snow for a foundation, buyers will at once turn to Maine for good stock. Are the horses ready to be sold? Are they in prime, fresh, good heart, ready to show at their best? If so, there's a buyer coming to take them. Buyers are not seeking apologies, and the man whose horse "would be a beauty if fat," or "would weigh 1100 if in con dition," or "would be stylish if trained," may just as well leave his goods under the blanket in the barn, unless prepared to sell at low prices. Buyers are looking for finished goods, not immature products. They may buy to develop or fatten, but they only pay low down price. The horse which is at his best, full of force, in prime condition, will command a ready sale. Bear this in mind; the man who will get left is he who goes to market with goods not ready to be deivered, the man who comes home satisfied will be he who just fits the buyer's fancy.

RIGBY PARK.

Just now it seems to be quite a prob lem as to what is to become of Rigby Park. The people of Portland have never manifested any enthusiaun over it due in some degree surely to the manner in which pool selling and liquor selling have been so openly carried on. Neither have the people of Maine manifested the same interest as in the half mile rings. It has been a track so superior that a horse would be likely to get a record which would effectually bar from the races on the half mile courses and so the sport here has been turned over to the outside horses and fraternity. Every year has been a losing game yet the wealthy and public spirited men have gone down into their pockets until now. Last season was a disastrous one and it is for this reason that the managemen has for several weeks past been expressing considerable timidity about planning for races of any description in 1900. The gentlemen who control the majority of the stock have become rather impatient and a few days ago one of the mos prominent officials made the emphatic declaration that affairs had come to such a pass that he was tired of paying out any more money and that in the future be could not be depended upon to help furnish the necessary means. This official has come to time very often with good sized amounts to clear up bills in the past and the announcement which he has made to his associates is a very important one. In fact it is an ultima tum of the greatest importance regard ing the outlook for racing next year at the magnificent track which is located on the outskirts of Portland.

It was said on Saturday that the track is on the market and that there is prospect that it will be bought outright by western parties. Another rumor was the track to local parties who might desire to hold meets during the season.

THE GREAT JOS PATCHEN.

The secretary of the Kansas Board of Agriculture denominates Joe Patchen "a foremost horse of all the ages". The wonderful record he has made for speed, courage and endurance, together with his success as a sire, and his size and strength which stamp him as a horse of strength which stamp bim as a horse of much value for general purposes irrespective of tremendous speed, entitle him to very high if not the highest rank. Some account of his breeding and performances, by Mr. Charles Rathbone, the man who raised him, is given in "The report of the Kansas board, Mr. Rathbone says:

Joe Patchen, the pacing stallion, ire A writer in the Stockman describing en's untiring courage as a race-horse the methods followed by the dealers in seems without a peer. In his first year on the grand circuit he raced against the court of the grand circuit he raced against the seems without a peer. preed characteristics. Find the man who can back up his statements with the record of growth or production and there place your order. Do not expect to excell in both directions. Be content with one in their detailed interpretation of that and make it now in 1000.

The farmer feeder stands in a different position. The buyer does not want in their detailed interpretation of that and make it now in 1000. the horses in shape for the fall market; somewhat less costly feeding, with use of more farm-grown rough forage, only with Robert J, but with all comers, until he became famous as a race-horse

of great courage and stamins.

From the date of his birth, ten years age, and after going through a severe course of training and racing for five years, he is as sound as the day he was foaled, which speaks well for the family he belongs to. Patchen Wilkes, his sire, has the Mambrino-Patchen Wilkes cross, a famous for the great received. so famous for the great race-horse qualities as well as the high rate of speed that has come from this union through the various sires Wilkes Boy, Baron Wilkes, Guy Wilkes, Simmons, and many

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fact that much of what they thought to

do away with was incidental to modern

industrial conditions and could not be

eliminated unless we were willing to

turn back the wheels of modern progress

by also eliminating the forces which had

brought about these industrial condi-

tions. Not only trusts, but the immense

importance of machinary, the congestion

of city life, the capacity to make large

fortunes by speculative enterprises, and

many other features of modern existence

could be thoroughly changed by doing

away with steam and electricity, but the

most ardent denouncer of trusts would

hesitate to advocate so drastic a remedy

What remains for us to do as practical

men, is to look the conditions squarely

in the face and not to permit the emo-

tional side of the question, which has its

that there are other sides. We must set

about finding out what the real abuses

are, with their causes, and to what ex-

"To say that the present system

hap-hazard license and lack of supervis-

ion and regulation is the best possible,

prevent the remedying of real abuses,

suffering of others, but also weaken

those who are anxious to prevent the

adoption of indiscriminate would-be

emedies which would subvert our whole

the dishonesty, even though not techni

cally illegal methods, through which

some great fortunes have been made, are

scandals to our civilization. The man

who by swindling or wrong doing ac-

obleman and is a more dangerous mem

er of society. Any law, and any meth-

nment, should be welcomed. Of course

such laws are even more needed in deal

ing with great corporations or trusts

quite as much for the sake of honest

orporations as for the sake of the pub-

affairs honestly has a right to demand

protection against the dishonest corpora

The first essential is knowledge of the

facts—publicity. Much can be done at

nce by amendment of the corporation

laws so as to provide for such publicity

as will not work injustice as between

ment regarding material facts connected

with the organization of an enterprise:

out of competitors who themselves do

not act improperly; raising of prices

of statement. We should know 'author

in the way of service and taxation.

"Where a trust becomes a monopoly

A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT.

It will be remembered that last April

Lieut. Gilmore and party from the York-

town were captured by the Filipinos

about Manila, while seeking to rescue a

The fate of the party at that time was

unknown, because the insurgents re-

It was not until May 2d that any au-

thentic information was secured. It

been taken from Baler across the moun-

lot of Spanish soldiers who were sur

rounded by the insurgents.

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ces undreamed of will come to Of one, who though weak, yet believes he

And offers himself to the task unafraid. 'I'll do what I can," is a challenge to fate And fate must succumb when it's put to

A heart that is willing to labor and wait,

It puts the blue imps of depression to rout And makes many difficult problems seem

nts over obstacles, dissipates doubt, And unravels kinks in life's curious chair "I'll do what I can," keeps the progre

in good working order as centuries roll; And civilization would perish. I ween Were those words not written

They fell the great forests, they furrous They seek new inventions to benefit man They fear no exertion, make pastime of toil Oh, great is earth's debt to "I'll do what I can."

· -Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

"This commonwealth needs a breath ing spell for financial recuperation," says Gov. Crane of Mass. So does Maine.

No news from the far east has been re seived with so much thankfulness as the gallant rescue of Lieut. Gilmore and party after nine months' imprisonment ong the insurgents.

The dreaded Bubonic plague is report ed at Manila and Honolulu, and a suspected case is feared in Boston harbor If this disease be included in our expansion of territory it will be at terrible

Detroit, Michigan, has a fighting par son who is going into the ring to give pugilistic exhibition for charity's sake. may be that some other preachers might enjoy a bout with some hard fisted elders for other reasons.

Can any one figure the burden place on the farmers by the wail of the press and the talk of the platform about low and the talk of the platform about low prices and losing markets? As we merge long after Ingersoll is forgotten not out of these conditions the enormity of cause of greater talents but simply prices and losing markets? As we merge

No wonder the citizens of St. Joh bowed great enthusiasm when their brave boys started out the other day for the report from the Canadian troops lready in the field told of great courage

It is surely to be hoped that the assign ment of the Whitman Agricultura works, Auburn, will be but temporary as it is a Maine industry in which the people have been interested because the superior quality of work done.

Among the talented writers of Maine nust be ranked Mrs. M. L. Gray, Readeld, whose address before Androscoggiz Pomona at Wales, upon "Our Opportunity and Influence," to be found on our seventh page will well repay a careful

At the New York dairy meeting the expert gave first premium to a sample of mottled butter. As the Farmer exesses it in another column, if salt color and condition count for nothing why not strike these sections out of the

On every hand there is evidence of change in public sentiment regarding farming and farm prosperity. Increase activity, increasing prices and more frequent sales is the report from every eastern state. All this means better days for agriculture.

If the result of the ice combine is to kill the business in Maine as feared by the Gardiner writer, the wisdom of the Maine legislature in refusing a charter is vindicated and the position of those who clamored for an open door for trusts in Maine will be fully understood.

It is officially announced that all the nations have committed themselves to the binding compact which insures the open door" for business in China. This has been accomplished through the untiring efforts of Secretary of State Hay, and is the great commercial step of the

The milliners have organized to make strong fight before Congress to kill the bill introduced by Senator Hoar for the protection of our song birds. Why isn't here a good opportunity for an influence to be exerted to save these important helps to the farm and orchard as well as easure bearers to every individual?

Are you availing yourself of the bene fits made possible by the state through the traveling libraries? If so there is state is doing and if not, then write at has power, corporations have rights, the once to the state librarian for instructions how to proceed. Good books are always friends and companions who help cised to crowd out, when corporation

Touching the liquor question Gov Crane of Massachusetts in his inaugural expresses much in the following short sentence: "Attempts are made nearly every year to repeal or modify provisions of the laws regulating the sale of intoxi cating liquors. I urge that the restrict ive features of those laws be preserved without abatement or modification." All add to this is to pledge a fair, just and fairly that it merits careful study. impartial execution of the law now on our statute books.

Christian Science, like some othe Christian Scientist, has given her son, George Oliver of South Dakota, a Christdwelling house, which is the most palamaterial things of a valuable nature. This shows how difficult it is to be con

Those who sneer at our political standards will find little comfort in the strong moral position taken by two importan Congressional committees the past week, one denying the right to a seat in the House to Polygamist Roberts of Utah and the other refusing to accept the credentials of Senator Quay of Pennyslvania Let these committees be sustained and better atmosphere will prevail through out the body politic. The fact is the evils which are so often noted arise large ly from neglect of the great body of the people to make their moral influence

On the second page we present this week a full abstract of an able address upon the subject, "Is it for the advantage of the United States to retain sover eignty in the Philippines?" by Hon. Al bion A. Perry, Somerville, Mass., a Maine boy, born in Standish and educated at Monmouth Academy. Whether in sym pathy with his position or not, the well arranged arguments will command care ful attention. We shall present in the near future an address by another Somer ville gentleman presenting the opposite side of the question, that these arguments for and against the expected policy of the government may be weighed in the balances by the readers of the Farmer

This country has lost two of its noted ders during the past twelve months, Robert Ingersoll and Dwight L. Moody. Both have held pronounced opinions re garding faith, destiny and belief. Ingersoll attracted by the quality of his life, the purity of his thought and the sure evidence of sincerity, but he was destruc tive rather than constructive and there fore failed to exert any cohesive force. His followers were units known only as a third. But among all of these phases work ceased when he had destroyed greatest prominence is the question of faith in the future. Moody attracted by his strong personality, the strength and his great purpose. He clung to old con-ceptions of God, duty and destiny but he drew thousands about him through his mon a feature in the industrial revoluconstructive logic, planting firmly in their hearts a great hope for both the during recent years. Moody will live s forgotten not be-

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cause of positive service for humanity The world has never been and never will proper place, to blind us to to the fact be fed by negations. It cries out for something positive, something to believe omething to do.

GREAT PROBLEM AND GROWING PUT

Among the public questions which nust be met, discussed and in some way ither settled or placed under control that of trusts and combines is today the nost formidable. So complex is the questions, both as relates to the individual, the state and nation, that it is very easy to sidetrack judgment and get son for thankfulness over what the mystified over the real issue. Money genesis of trusts cannot be called in juestion; but when that power is exer attempt to check competition, when rusts begin to dictate production order to find excuse for increasing price then the strong hand of the law, backed by public opinion, must be exerted guard public interests.

Nothing has been written which mor clearly sets forth the situation than the od of construing the law which will enable following from the inaugural address of the community to punish him either Governor Roosevelt of New York, and by taking away his wealth or by impris while lengthy, no portion can well be that the next Governor of Maine need to abridged. It presents the questions so The contrast offered in a highly than with individuals. They are needed

specialized industrial community between the very rich and the very poor, says the Governor, "is exceedingly disfakes, seems to pay well. Mrs. Mary tressing, and while under normal condi-Baker Eddy of Concord, N. H., the tions the acquirement of wealth by an individual is necessarily of great incidental benefit to the community as a whole, yet mas present consisting of a check for this is by no means always the case. In \$10,000 and a clear title to a \$15,000 our great cities there is plainly in eviddence much wealth contrasted with tial in the Black hills. It is strange how much poverty, and some of the wealth these people who profess to believe in has been acquired, or is used, in a maner for which there is no

In further discussion of the aubie the Governor says in part: "Probably the large majority of the fortunes tha now exist in this country have bee amassed, not by injuring mankind, but as an incident to the conferring of great enefits on the community-whateve the conscious purpose of those amassing them may have been. The occasions wrongs committed for injuries endured are on the whole far outweighed by the mass of good which has resulted. Th

true questions to be asked are:-"Has any given individual been injure by the acquisition of wealth by any man Were the rights of that individual, i they have been violated, insufficient protected by law?' If so, these right and all similar rights ought to be guar anteed by additional legislation. The point to be aimed at is the protection of the individual against wrong, not the atempt to limit and hamper the acquis tion and output of wealth.

"It is almost equally dangerous eithe o blink at evils and refuse to acknowl edge their existence or to strike at the in a spirit of ignorant revenge, thereby loing far more harm than is remedied It is well to remember, on the one hand that the adoption of what is reasonable in the demands of reformers is the sures way to prevent the adoption of what i unreasonable, and on the other hand. that many of the worst and most danger ous laws which have been put upon the statute books have been put there by zealous reformers with excellent inten

"Trusts-This problem has a hundred phases. The relation of the capitalist and the wage-worker makes one; the proper attitude of the state towards extreme poverty another; the proper attitude of the state towards the ownership and running of so-called public utilities doubters. Ingersoll failed in that his the one which at this time has the what are commonly termed 'trusts,' meaning by the name, those vast combi ogic of his thought and the honesty of nations of capital, usually flourishing by virtue of some monopolistic element which have become so startlingly com tion which has progressed so rapidly

"Every new feature of the industrial revolution produces hardship, because in its later stages it has been literally a caped from their captors, and after great and get one.

the offense against the industry constantnew inventions and discoveries and the for duty on their vessel. They walked new methods of taking advantage of the nearly all the distance across the mounbusiness facilities afforded by the extra- tains. On the opening of the campaign in ordinary development of our material civilization have caused the changes to northern Luzon, which began at the

proceed with such marvelous rapidity close of the recent rainy season, a dethat at each stage some body of workers termined effort was made to rescue the finds itself unable to accommodate itself American prisoners. In many respects to the new conditions with sufficient the chase resembles the famous feat of speed to escape hardship. In the end Lawton's, when with a plucky band of the accommodation of the class takes soldiers, whose horses had long since place; at times too late for the well begiven out under the severe campaign, he ing of many individuals. In some cases followed the bloodthirsty Apache chief, Geronimo, through the mountains of the while recognizing the evil, it is impossi Northwest, and beat the Indians at their ble with our present knowledge to discover any remedy, In others, a remedy own game and captured the Indian chief and his followers. can be applied, but as yet only at a cost Col. Hare of the 33d regiment and that would make it worse than the

Lieut.-Col. Howse of the 34th regiment oursued the same tactics. They early "The machinery of modern business is so vast and complicated that great caugot track of the insurgent band which was in charge of the prisoners, and foltion must be exercised in introducing lowed with a dogged persistency, which radical changes for fear the unforeseen effect may take the shape of widespread was finally crowned with success. The pursuit has been in the mountainous redisaster. Moreover, much that is complained about is not really the abuse so gion of the island, where the difficulties much as the inevitable development of were almost unsurmountable, but where ever the fleeting natives went the tire "Many of the anti-trust laws which less American soldiers were on their rail, many times only 24 hours behind, have made their appearance on the statas was indicated by brief messages left ute books of recent years have been al most or absolutely ineffective because by the prisoners as a guide to the pursuthey have blinked at the all-important ing party.

The Yankee soldiers under Cols. Hare and Howse fairly walked the Filipino natives off their feet, and that, too, when the natives were trained to that life and n their own couuntry. Gen. Otis says in his official dispatch

bat it was a "remarkable achievement." The story told by Lieut. Gilmore is s great danger. He says:

"The Filipinos abandoned us on the night of Dec. 16. We had reached the Abalut river near its source that morning and the Filipinos rafted us over. We then went down the stream, along a rough trail, guarded by a company of filipinos. That night we were separated from this guard, and another company, armed with Mausers, was put in charge of us. I suspected something and questioned the lieutenant in command. He said: 'I have orders from Gen. Tino to shoot you all, but my conscience forbids. shall leave you here.' I begged him for two rifles to protect

s from savages, adding that I would give him letters to the Americans, who would pay him well and keep him from all harm. He refused this, however, saying that he would not dare to comply. oon afterward he left with his company. We had seen some savages in war paint around us and we prepared to fight hem with cobblestones, the only reapons that were available to us. The industrial fabric. The chicanery and next morning we followed the trail of the Filipino soldiers, feeling that it was etter to stick to them than to be murdered by savages, but we could not catch up with them. Then I ordered the men to build rafts, in the hope of floating quires great wealth for himself at the lown the river. It was a forlorn hope, xpense of his fellow, stands as low but I knew the river must empty into morally as any predatory mediaeval the sea somewhere. I was so weak myself that I did not expect to get out, but thought some of the men could.

On the morning of Dec. 18, while we vere working on the rafts, the Americans came towards us yelling. One of my men shouted, 'They are on us.' He was lashing a raft of bamboos. I, how ever, knew it was not the vell of savages but the yell of Americans. The rescuing troops thought we had Filipino guards, and called to us in English to lie down lic. The corporation that manages its so that they could shoot the Filipinos That was the finest body of officers and nen I ever saw."

Lieut, Gilmore could not speak en thusiastically enough about the 140 picked men who had rescued him and his party. The command spent the day in making rafts. Col. Hare thought Lieut. Gilmore too weak to live through the trip, but there was no alternative. arise from trusts are probably the fol- all their effects and Lieut. Gilmore son lowing: Misrepresentation or conceal-valuable papers. Only 14 out of 37 rafts survived the first night's experiences and 80 men were practically unable to walk the evils connected with unscrupulous when Vigan was reached promotion: over-capitalization: unfair

Describing the flight from Benguet competition resulting in the crushing when the Americans approached, Lieut. Gilmore said:
"The Filipinos, completely terrified, left Benguet on Dec. 7. They hurried

above fair competitive rates and the the prisoners from town to town, ofte wielding of increased power over the retracing the trail, not knowing where the Americans would attack. After being almost without food for three days, wage earners. Some of these evils could be partially remedied by a modification of our corporation law; here we can safely go along the lines of the more conservative New England states and reached Vigan. Indeed, the rescuing probably not a little farther. Such laws will themselves provide the needed publicity and the needed circumstantiality of statement. We should know 'author.

While we were in the hands of Gen. licity and the needed circumstantiality Tino's men, he issued an order that any itatively whether stock represents actual erson aiding an American by food or oney should be treated as a criminal. value of plants, or whether it represents or good will, or if not, what it does represent, if anything. It is desivalue of plants, or whether it represents does represent, if anything. It is desiof some of the residents of the towns and some of the Filipino colonels, but others treated us brutally. Wherever there sion of the brain and cerebral hemorrable to know how much [was actually bought, how much was issued free and to whom, and if possible, for what rea- treated us brutally. treated us britaily.
was a prison, we were kept there. When
there was no prison, they would lodge
us in a convent. We suffered greatly son. This would enable us to see just what the public have a right to expect us in a convent. We suffered greatly from want of exercise as well as lack of

For weeks Lieut. Gilmore was covthe state has an immediate right to inered with boils and in great pain. When the Filipinos found the Americans were terfere. The state, for the protection of the public, should exercise the right sching, the treatment became betto inspect, to examine thoroughly all to inspect, to examine thoroughly all ter. There was a sign painter in the the workings of great corporations just party and he painted advertisements on as is now done with banks and wherever the interests of the public demand it. it. the interests of the public demand it, it word "Vengeance", by means of which the Americans were able to follow. "The Filipino treatment of the Span-iards," said Lieut. Gillmore, "was bru-

old grudges to wipe out against them.
Many talk about the reconcentradoes in
Cuba, but I have seen Spaniards dying
at the rate of two or three per day of starvation in the hospitals at Vigan. I have seen Tagalo officers strike Spaniards in the face with whips and re-Lieut. Gilmore declined to speak re-

garding political conditions except to say that he thought the insurrection would continue as long as there were any Tagalos left.

then came from Maj. Arguelle of the Mr. Chas. K. Partridge, at the old relistaff of Gen. Autonio Luna, in the shape able drug store is giving country patrons of a list of the missing men signed by beautiful lithographed half tone calenare furnished him by the Maine Farmer

PROTECTION FROM FRAUD.

Representatives of the National Dairy union met at Chicago, Saturday, to outline a programme in the interest of the passage of important food and dairy bills now pending before Congress. Among those present were H. C. Williams, state dairy and food commissioner, W. D. Hoard, president, and Chas. Knight secretary of the National Dairy union The Grout bill providing for an increase of 10 cents a pound on colored butterine will be one of the measures considered

"The stupid dishonesty of the American policy has lost us an immens foreign market. In 1880 we shipped to England \$15,000,000 worth of cheese Then we began to make "filled" chees and in 1899 our exports to England were \$3,000,000 worth of cheese. "Canada has laws that secure

foods. She saw her opportunity and has taken the English market from us. She exported in 1899 \$17,000,000 worth of cheese. The figures prove that sound ethics are good commerce. Fraud re sults in loss of trade. What we want to do is to provide against counterfeits and gradually regain our trade. "The value of the dairy products o the United States is \$800,000,000 a year.

Wisconsin produced \$35,000,000 worth. Now these vast interests do not demand any protection but that against fraud and counterfeit. When I was Governor received many letters from chambers of commerce abroad from Bristol and Glasgow, inquiring into the fraudulent cheese and butter we are sending abroad. The dairy product of the whole Pacific coast is now going across the Pacific to one of hardship and deprivation, as well the countries of the Far East. Are we going by stupid dishonesty, to lose that market at Australia, as we have nearly lost the Wisconsin market to Canada?" One thing will be necessary, that regard less of individual sentiment there must be hearty and united support of the measures finally adopted and policy mapped out. It will be a hard fight for the bogus butter men are united and have plenty of national backing. Write your Senators and Representatives in Congress what your best interests demand. Keep them posted and the outome will be all right. The influence of the Maine butter maker must be joined to that from every other section.

City News.

health officer by Mayor Lane, Dr. Davies aving resigned -We are glad to be able to report or

fellow citizen, W. E. S. Whitman improving, after his long illness, and hope for a complete recovery. -The First National Bank at its annual neeting elected the following directors:

Oscar Holway, James W. North, Len-

dall Titcomb, Joseph H. Manley and M.

B. Holway; president, Oscar Holway ashier, C. S. Hichborn. -No city in Maine is better equippe or business than Augusta and we doubt if any can show a better record for the oast six months. Our business men know how to cater for trade and they are

ttending strictly to business. -The symphony concert Tuesday rening by Callahan's orchestra was a rich treat to the large audience, and evidenced the increasing interest being aken in choice music, the outcome argely of the excellent work done by he Augusta chorus.

County News.

treet lights provided by the generosity of the business men. -The beautiful new clock on Halle

well City Hall was presented by Mr. enry L. Dole, Haverbill, Mass. -Wages at Lockwood Mills Water-

ville, have been increased from 3 to 10 per cent., the scale taking effect last -The sale of one-half of the water power at Wayne village kindles the hope

leath of Frank O. Whitehouse, of Vassalboro, at Middletown, Conn. His mother and sister live at South Vassal-

-The county commissioners after de- Mrs. S. C. West, -Mr. Mark Stevens wa ositing \$1,600 to the sinking fund and on Friday of last week, the paying the extensive repairs made this son Joshua, at Chesterville year, as well as all other bills, find the

-Sewall Maguire, the carpenter who fell sixty-eight feet from the top of the the fall and winter. hotel Gerald in Fairfield, Thursday, died sion of the brain and cerebral hemor rhage, caused by the fall. He was thirtyfive years of age and leaves a family.

-One of the bright Maine girls to give herself to the nursing of the sick vention. Dr. Hill is a broad minded in the camps at Chickamauga, was Miss Lillian G. Lane of So. Monmouth. After a thorough course at the training hospital, this typical Yankee girl went South to nurse back to health the sick soldiers, and from there was sent by the covernment to California. The sequel fourth term. may be read in the wedding cards before us, telling of her marriage to Mr. E. G. tal in the extreme. The insurgents had Miller at St. Paul's Church, San Francisco, California. May joy go with the happy couple.

thought that Maine might see a boom in that branch of business this season are now discouraged at the prospect. There the age of 81 years, the city, county and has been a lingering hope that the Amer-state loses a well known, upright, infidican Ice Company would have to come to Maine on account of a failure in the Hudson river crop. But it has become known that the great corporation has recently purchased the control of ponds Republican convention, which was held in Pennsylvania which it is thought now in Portland in 1853. A widow and two Lieut. Gilmore. The prisoners had then dars, which are really works of art, and will free them from depending on Maine. sons, Col. F. E. Boothby and W. A. E. do not advertise patent medicines. These There are some who believe that the ice business of this state has been killed by Since that time two of the party es- Publishing Company. Call at his store the combine that was refused a charter in this state, when they applied for it.

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NORTH FAYETTE. Mrs. D. D. Gordon, who has been confined to her room b illness, is at present convalescent.-Mr L. Chesley of West Mt. Vernon was, on Sunday last, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gile. -Ice cutting is the order of the day at present, Mr. R. H. Philbrick having secured his year's supply, which, hi that it is to lead to an early increase and says, is of excellent quality and about a activity of the industries in all that sec- foot thick .- Mrs. Fred Philbrick and little daughters were visitors of h -Word was received, Sunday, of the father, Mr. James Jones, several days recently .- Mr. W. H. Teal of Jay Bridge, ecompanied by Mr. C. W. Clark of Ken tucky, a civil engineer in employ of United States Government, was a c Monday evening, in the home of Mr. eral of the friends and neighbors of Mr James Jones met at his debt of the county has been reduced day, this week, and cut and bauled his over \$1,000. who has been in very poor health during

PERSONAL.

-The candidacy of Hon. J. F. Hill, o Augusta, for Governor has been officially announced and all indications point t an unanimous nomination in the Con cultured gentleman, and, if elected, will faithfully endeavor to serve the best interests of the state in every way possible. -Hon. W. J. Bryan of Nebraska will visit Maine the last of January and deliver one or two political addresses

-We are glad to be able to report an mprovement in the condition of Bro. P. Abbott of Lewiston, sick with a fever. Maine has no more faithful or painstaking student or writer on agricultural topics, -The Lewiston Journal says that ice and his services will be needed for years. ealers at Gardiner who have had any May his recovery be speedy and complete

-By the death of Hon. L. T. Boothby, Waterville, which occurred Tuesday at ential and honorable citizen. It was always his proud boast, and a just cause for pride, that he was one of the feet men who united in the call for the first Boothby survive him.

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State News.

Edward Plummer, a prominent citizen of Androscoggin county, died at his home at Lisbon Falls, Sunday, at the age The Warren mills, Westbrook, have

adopted the eight hour system for their grews, with full pay. Here is evidence They are shipping pulp wood from

Washington county to South Gardiner. The opening up of the new railroad is to revolutionize our down east county of Mr. Frank W. Palmer, one of the lead-

ing lumber manufacturers of Lincoln sounty, died at his home in Alna, Friday, from blood poisoning, resulting from the Loren W. Blake has been indicted by the Waldo county grand jury for burning

the house of Hollis Howard, and for attempting to burn the house of his son, Raiph Howard, at Montville Centre. Rufus C. Ingraham, one of Rickland's old residents, died suddenly, Saturday aged 70? He was a son of Joseph and

Nancy Spear Ingraham, and his occupation was that of a farmer and lime-burner The Republican convention to nominate delegates to the convention at Philadelphia, to nominate a President, will be held in Lewiston in April, and the convention to nominate a governor, in Bangor, June 27.

It is currently reported that Gov.

Powers will not make an appointment in the case of clerk of courts in Lincoln county, where Mr. Creamer resigned a few months ago, until after the county convention in June. The Presque Isle Hotel was totally destroyed by fire, Monday morning. Loss, \$14,000. The fire broke out about 3 A

M., but the guests escaped in safety, the cook being the only one injured. She jumped from a chamber window, and one leg was broken. The Fish and Game Commissioners propose making a very large exhibit at the coming Sportmen's Show in Boston including a miniature pond stocked with

trout with a chance for fishermen to try their luck. This is done to advertise our fish and game interests. The following officers were elected at the session of the Maine Pedagogical As sociation in Bangor: President, Miss Mary S. Snow, Bangor; vice president F. W. Johnson, Waterville; secretary and treasurer, C. F. Cook, Augusta; corresponding secretary, F. C. Ball, Bangor-

Department presidents and committee

on instruction, three councillors and members of advisory board were also appointed. NORTHFIELD. The storm of Jan. was severe in this part of the county. Abbie A., wife of Everett H. Roberts. died Dec. 26, after an illness of many months.-Quite a number from this place attended the Christmas concert at Wes lev .- Miss Edith Smith is attending school at Cherryfield .- Miss Ethel Harmon is visiting friends at Machias .-

Dwight Smith and Herman Stuart are attending school in Machias. Dr. Theodore L. Estabrook, the oldest physician in Knox county, died at his residence in Rockland, Friday. He was 67 years old. Dr. Estabrook had been in poor health for two or three years, but had been confined to his room only three weeks. He was born in Camden, the son

of the late Dr. Joseph Estabrook, a well known physician. The deceased was educated in the Camden schools and at the North Yarmouth Academy. The worst fire for years occurred at Portland, Saturday morning, when the four-story block just below the post office, occupied by F. O. Bailey & Co., was totally destroyed, and four firemen William Cannon, John Lombard, Driver Stickney and Capt. Fowler, were injured,

very severe and dangerous. Cannon's

hip was broken and he received interna

son and Stickney being

injuries by the falling of a coping, and Stickney's injuries, received by slipping on the ice, were also of a serious character. The total loss will be \$100,000. The annual meeting of the Maine Sportsmen's Association was held in Bangor, Jan. 1. The following officers were elected: President, P. O. Vickery, Augusta; vice presidents, A. M. Spear, Gardiner; F. H. Appleton, Bangor; W. P. Frye, Lewiston; J. F. Hill, Augusta; Col. I. K. Stetson, Bangor; Col. H. E. Hamlin, Ellsworth; Charles E. Oak, Caribou; secretary and treasurer, Col. E. C. Farrington, Augusta; directors, P. O. Vickery, E. C. Farrington, Victor Mc-Farland, G. G. Weld, W. S. Choate, J. F.

Sprague, J. N. Merrill; director for the state, A. M. Goddard. Washington. Delbert Turner found

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NORTH FAYETTE. Mrs. D. D. Gordon, who has been confined to her room by illness, is at present convalescent.-Mr. L. Chesley of West Mt. Vernon was, on E. Gile.-Ice cutting is the order of the day at present, Mr. R. H. Philbrick hav-

Sunday last, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. ing secured his year's supply, which, he says, is of excellent quality and about a foot thick.—Mrs. Fred Philbrick and father, Mr. James Jones, several days recently,-Mr. W. H. Teal of Jay Bridge, accompanied by Mr. C. W. Clark of Kentucky, a civil engineer in employ of the United States Government, was a caller, Monday evening, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. West.—Mr. Mark Stevens was, on Friday of last week, the guest of his son Joshua, at Chesterville Mills.—Sev-eral of the friends and neighbors of Mr. James Jones met at his home on Mo day, this week, and cut and hauled his year's supply of wood. This act of kindness was much appreciated by Mr. Jones, who has been in very poor health during the fall and winter.

PERSONAL

-The candidacy of Hon. J. F. Hill, of Augusta, for Governor has been officially announced and all indications point to an unanimous nomination in the Convention. Dr. Hill is a broad minded, cultured gentleman, and, if elected, will faithfully endeavor to serve the best interests of the state in every way possible.

-Hon, W. J. Bryan of Nebraska will visit Maine the last of January and deliver one or two political addresses. fourth term.

-We are glad to be able to report an

improvement in the condition of Bro. L F. Abbott of Lewiston, sick with a fever. Maine has no more faithful or painstaking student or writer on agricultural topics, and his services will be needed for years May his recovery be speedy and complete

-By the death of Hon. L. T. Boothby, Waterville, which occurred Tuesday at the age of 81 years, the city, county and ential and honorable citizen. It was always his proud boast, and a just cause for pride, that he was one of the few men who united in the call for the first Republican convention, which was held in Portland in 1853. A widow and two sons, Col. F. E. Boothby and W. A. R. Boothby survive him.

For the land's sake -- use Bowker's

State News.

Edward Plummer, a prominent citizen of Androscoggin county, died at his home at Lisbou Falls, Sunday, at the age

The Warren mills, Westbrook, have adopted the eight hour system for their grews, with full pay. Here is evidence of a good time coming.

They are shipping pulp wood from Washington county to South Gardiner. The opening up of the new railroad is to revolutionize our down east county of Mr. Frank W. Palmer, one of the lead-

ing lumber manufacturers of Lincoln sounty, died at his home in Alna, Friday, from blood poisoning, resulting from the removal of a soft corn.

Loren W. Blake has been indicted by the Waldo county grand jury for burning the house of Hollis Howard, and for attempting to burn the house of his son, Ralph Howard, at Montville Centre.

Rufus C. Ingraham, one of Rickland's old residents, died suddenly, Saturday, aged 79. He was a son of Joseph and Nancy Spear Ingraham, and his occupation was that of a farmer and lime-burner. The Republican convention to nom-

inate delegates to the convention at Philadelphia, to nominate a President, will Highland land.—There is very little snow he held in Lewiston in April, and the in this section, but lots of business done convention to nominate a governor, in on it.-Mrs. Alice Briggs is visiting her

It is currently reported that Gov. Pendexter and Miss Mabel G. Thompson, Powers will not make an appointment in | both of this place, were married Dec. 27, the case of clerk of courts in Lincoln and will live on his farm in New Limingsounty, where Mr. Creamer resigned a ton.-George Brooks and Leland Wentfew months ago, until after the county worth have taken pine timber to cut, envention in June.

The Presque Isle Hotel was totally destroyed by fire, Monday morning. Loss, visiting her brothers, Marshall and Mel-\$14,000. The fire broke out about 3 A. ville Stone.-Frank Stone started, Jan. M., but the guests escaped in safety, the 8, for Boston, to attend Burdett's Busicook being the only one injured. She ness College.-Frank Libby and sons, jumped from a chamber window, and George and Myron, are drawing lots of one leg was broken.

The Fish and Game Commissioners propose making a very large exhibit at the coming Sportmen's Show in Boston, including a miniature pond stocked with trout with a chance for fishermen to try their luck. This is done to advertise our fish and game interests.

The following officers were elected at the session of the Maine Pedagogical Association in Bangor: President, Miss Mary S. Snow, Bangor; vice president, F. W. Johnson, Waterville; secretary and treasurer, C. F. Cook, Augusta; corresponding secretary, F. C. Ball, Bangor Department presidents and committee on instruction, three councillors and members of advisory board were also

but 10 per cent, of the population are was severe in this part of the county.-Abbie A., wife of Everett H. Roberts, died Dec. 26, after an illness of many months.—Quite a number from this place likely to have statehood in American attended the Christmas concert at Wes- Union. ley.-Miss Edith Smith is attending school at Cherryfield .- Miss Ethel Harmon is visiting friends at Machias .-Dwight Smith and Herman Stuart are and attempts put forth to get control of attending school in Machias.

Dr. Theodore L. Estabrook, the oldest the democrats are in power, a democratic physician in Knox county, died at his U. S. Senator, Blackburn, has been residence in Rockland, Friday. He was elected and now it is the official head of 67 years old. Dr. Estabrook had been in the Governor which is the target. Such poor health for two or three years, but are politics. had been confined to his room only three The present session of Congress open weeks. He was born in Camden, the son with a contest for a seat by the Mormon of the late Dr. Joseph Estabrook, a well representative and the contest by the known physician. The deceased was state officials of Montana against Sena educated in the Camden schools and at elect Clark, it being openly charged that the North Yarmouth Academy.

The worst fire for years occurred at Portland, Saturday morning, when the The report in the Roberts case has not four-story block just below the post been made, but is understood to be office, occupied by F. O. Bailey & Co., was totally destroyed, and four firemen, plural wives.

Sportsmen's Association was held in claimed. Augusta; vice presidents, A. M. Spear, friendly legislation, it has just been Propaganda, and B.W.Snow, editor of Gardiner; F. H. Appleton, Bangor; W. announced that Robert T. Lincoln and the Orange Judd Farmer, Chicago. P. Frye, Lewiston; J. P. Hill, Augusta; Norman B. Ream, Chicago, executors of state, A. M. Goddard.

WASHINGTON. Delbert Turner found The report of the Roberts committee

TEASE, TEASE.

his horse, Saturday, with a manure fork

sticking through her hind leg; he is

quite a valuable horse.—The Ancient Or

der of United Workmen publicly installed

their officers last Thursday night. - A. L.

Grotton and Mrs. James W Jones are

on the sick list.-Levi T. Marr, ho has

been in trade at Razprville for more than

thirty years, is closing out his entire

stock of goods. He has been one of the

most popular merchants in this vicinity.

He will pay all of his attention to his

farm.-Mrs. Rose Cunningham has gone

Seventy of the converts at Shiloh

started forth Saturday without staff or

scrip to evangelize the world, having

been pronounced ready for the work by

chief evangelist Sanford. As evidence

of their complete preparation it is said

that about Thanksgiving day there was

an extraordinary session of prayer at the

temple. The worshippers remained on

their knees from 10 in the morning until

10 at night without eating. During all

that time there was constant prayer and

estimony. Last week at the close of

the year there was a still more notable

season of worship. From 10 in the morn-

ing until 2 o'clock the next morning the

faithful of the crusade were on their

knees in rapt devotion. During that

BRIDGTON. Ice cutting has begun on

owned by Byron Kimball, now deceased.

-Miss Belle P. Stone of Boston has been

bark to the tannery .- Perry Murphy is

again clerking for Dr. Stevens in his drug

store.-Howard Hilton is nearly through

logging in Fryeburg and intends to take

nother job in Conway, N. H.-John A.

Smith is cutting wood for Marshall Stone

-Lots of people in the Burnham neigh-

borhood have to haul water for their

General News.

Ex. Pres. Cole of the Globe Bank,

loston, who it is charged has taken out

almost a million, was arrested in Cali-

If it is true as stated, that in Porto Rico

able to read and write, it will be some

time in the future before the island is

fornia last week and brought home,

where he will be tried.

probate court in that state.

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also unanimous that Roberts shall not re tain his seat. But there will be two eports as to his right to be sworn in minority report will be made by Mr. Miers (Dem.) of Indiana, to the effect that Roberts should be sworn in, but after that should be expelled. Chairman Taylor of the committee says that this course of swearing in a man only to reject him is like admitting a lion into a room with a crowd of people out again.

One of the saddest events connecte with the war in the far east is the send-Kentucky is now passing through the ing home of the following soldiers pro same experience as Maine in 1879 and unced hopelessly insane: Sergt. Thos. '80 when charges of bribery were made Collins, C, 6th infantry; Sergt. Ower H. Wissman, hospital corps; Privs. the state. The legislature has assembled, Thomas F. Barry, hospital corps; Anton Barber, E, 4th infantry; Michael Gallagher, C, 23d infantry; George M. Barton, C, 4th cavalry; Walter A. O'Neil, F, 6th artillery: Louis Ford, L. 4th infantry: Brick Mullner, B, 6th infantry; David E. Young, A.17th infantry; Frank Thayer, L, 17th infantry; George W.Decker E, 18th infantry; Joseph Hoffman, E, 22d nfantry; George J. Nixon,l, 12th infantry. Nearly all of these menlost their he purchased his seat paying ten thouminds as a result of campaigning in the Philippines.

To prove the value of corn and educate love for the same, the American offioffice, occupied by F. O. Bailey & Co., was totally destroyed, and four firemen, William Cannon, John Lombard, Driver Stickney and Capt. Fowler, were injured, the injuries to Cannon and Stickney being office, occupied by F. O. Bailey & Co., against granting the seat to a man with plural wives.

The situation about Ladysmith is indeed grave. The Boers are strongly ended grave the injuries to Cannon and Stickney being trenched in the surrounding hills and it may be prepared from the thirty or very severe and dangerous. Cannon's is realized that the English troops in the more food products made, from corn hip was broken and he received internal besieged city cannot long withstand such on the cob to corn bread, hoe-cake, injuries by the falling of a coping, and attacks as have been made during the mush and the various substantials and Stickney's injuries, received by slipping past week. So far the attempts to dis-delicacies that may be made from this on the ice, were also of a serious char- lodge have failed and the British have grain. The demonstration will be under acter. The total loss will be \$100,000. suffered heavy loss. Evidently there is the management of Charles R. Dodge, The annual meeting of the Maine a long struggle before peace will be pro- Director of Agriculture, Horticulture and Food Products, and will be inaugu-Bangor, Jan. 1. The following officers As illustrating what enormous legal rated by Col. Clark E. Carr of Galesburg, were elected: President, P. O. Vickery, fees are allowed by courts and fixed by Ill., President of the American Maize

The United States navy has taken pos-Col. I. K. Stetson, Bangor; Col. H. E. the estate of the late George M. Pullman, session of another island in the east. Hamlin, Ellsworth; Charles E. Oak, have been allotted as compensation for The news of the seizure was contained Caribou; secretary and treasurer, Col. E. their services the sum of \$425,000. The in the following dispatch from Admiral C. Farrington, Augusta; directors, P. O. order was entered by Judge Batten in Watson: "On Dec. 21, Wentzbaugh, com-Vickery, E. C. Farrington, Victor Mc- the probate court. This is said to be manding the Albay (a little gunboat). Farland, G. G. Weld, W. S. Choate, J. F. the largest amount in fees ever allowed hoisted the flag on Sibutu island, and Sprague, J. N. Merrill; director for the executors of an estate handled by the the chief, Dato, provided and raised the pole. Natives and north Borneo authorities pleased." Sibutu island lies at the southwestern angle of the boundary Philippine group. It is probably, but line of the quadrangle inclosing the not positivly, outside of the line, and spoke upon "Soil Improvement," and lies very near the coast of Borneo, comsultan of Jolo, whose group is close on to this island, is believed to claim jurisbelieved that his claim is well founded.

The pushing of America's industries upon foreign markets naturally excites the jealousy of other nations. The London Spectator publishes an article en--titled "Germany and the Monroe Doctrine," in which it says: "America and This is not a sale of old goods, but is a sale of desirable not England is the rival in German opinmerchandise which we hold each year during the dull season—to stimulate trade and to keep the fact impressed upon your minds that this is for supremacy, realizing that the United and that next comes the producing ani-Maine's Greatest Store and that we always lead the way in States at the moment lies across its mal as the factor that is most essential. on with America on equal terms she future that she desires to be." It is ers to more courage in their work, saying

maintaining a policy so tremendous. If not, she is certain to suffer great humiliation at the hands of "the patient, efficient and persistent Germany," adding: "When the hour comes Germany won't be bluffed into respect of Monroe ism. She will call the Americans' fleet and if the fleet is no higher than hers' Germany will act."

PARMERS' INSTITUTES IN ANDERS COGGIN COUNTY.

The series of Institutes for this county was held, list week, beginning at Vales, Tuesday, Jan. 2. In the morning, Secretary McKeen gave his talk on "Farm Fartility" which brought out many Fertility," which brought out many Fertility," which brought out many questions. Especial interest appeared around the question of plowing in farm manures. This seemed to be a new practice among the farmers present, and the few who have tried it report very favorable results. The matter of fall and spring plowing was discussed, and it appeared that the concensus of opinion favored the former. Crimson clover as favored the former. Crimson clover as a fertilizer was spoken of, and some appeared to favor its use, when it was earned that it had been grown and ripened the present year in the state. At ened the present year in the state. At the close of the talk the matter of increasing the productive capacity of the soil was divided into four divisions: soil was divided into four divisions: First, improving its physical condition by tillage; second, adding to the organic matter by frequent plowing and by liberal use of barn dressing; third, by feeding nitrogeneous concentrates to farm animals and carefully husbanding and animals and carefully husbanding and applying the resultant manures; and fourth, by the use of the fertilizers of commerce.

In the afternoon, Prof. Gowell not

In the afternoon, Prof. Gowell not being present, Secretary McKeen gave a being present, Secretary McKeen gave a talk on "Dairying," principally along lines of crop production for the cow by a shorter system of rotation, and by the use of clover and the mixed grains to help along the protein side of the feeds. The corn plant and the silo were dwelt upon to considerable extent, the speaker claiming that while grass was and would always remain the basis of agriculture in New England, still, in order to meet the conditions forced upon us to ensure that larger amount of stock fodder so necessary for best results. sary for best results, corn, both from the fact that with it we can raise the largest amount of food nutrients per acre, and from the fact that it affords the best possible means for obtaining succulence we cannot afford to overlook, particularly in our dairy work, The differen varieties of corn will grow on different kinds of soil, so that even on the close soils of our river valleys it may be grown to good advantage. Replying to a question by Mr. E. E. Additon, the speaker advised the growing of sweet corn by corn-producing soil, and are situated within convenient distance of a factory, with the purpose of putting the lion he said he had no doubt but that under money obtained from the sale of the ears was put into nitrogenous concentrates. it was probable that the stock-carrying capacity of the farm would be increas by the practice. The necessity of the producing animal was emphasized, and the fact that the animal stood between the feeder and its product was brought out with much force; breeding, selection and careful handling lay at the founds

tion of successful dairying. Replying to questions from M. F. Alex ander, A. C. Frost, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Donnell and E. E. Additon, it was stated that regularity in feeding was of more importance than any particular order would bring better results than three provided the same amount was fed; that after a morning or night feeding was beness both in the animal and the product
True of Turner, A. M. Fogg, Wm. Berry

In the evening, Prof. Munson gave systematic spraying to secure good crops, saying that in no case should any one try places. Good music was furnished at both places, and Mr. W. W. McCann, master of Excelsior grange, presided at and that if one expects to grow fruit at a profit he must devote his land entirely the board, Mr. J. L. Lowell, who was at Danville Junction.

CAREY & REID, Plumbers, Steam Finished at both places, and Mr. W. McCann, master of Excelsior grange, presided at East Poland in place of the member of the board, Mr. J. L. Lowell, who was at Danville Junction. all early windfalls to prevent the spread of the Trypeta was emphasized, and hogs or sheep were commended for this purpose. The speaker believed there was ample room for the extension of the business of fruit growing and urged his hearers to carefully study all the conditions necessary to ensure success, and at the same time to extend their work as fully

as possible. Wednesday evening was spent at East Auburn, where Secretary McKeen briefly Prof. Munson spoke on "Beautifying Home Grounds." The meeting was enthat island and the Philippines. The livened by good singing by the grange choir, consisting of Messrs. Daniel and W. B. Ricker, Mrs. P. B. Garland and diction over it, and as his authority is T. C. Jordan, Mrs. F. F. Vickery, organrecognized by the native tribes on the ist. Mrs. Garland also sang a solo, and north coast of Borneo and vicinity, it is Prof. Morse and Mrs. Minnie S. Gove gave select readings which were highly enjoyed.

Thursday was spent at East Livermore where Secretary McKeen gave his talk on "Farm Fertility" in the morning. Prof. Gowell spoke in the afternoon, or "Dairying," claiming that success to the Maine farmer was to come through the plow and the cow, that the man was the basis of successful work along any line, path and that unless she is able to rook- Cheap food is necessary, it comes from careful cultivation and from a greater will not become the world power of the variety. The speaker urged all his hearsaid that Emperor William counts upon that in the future we must do more and the German vote in the United States to better work, have more faith in ourselves help him when his new navy is ready to and our land. The meeting was very carry out his South American expansion enthusiastic during the entire day and

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Mr. A. P. Wing, in the afternoon. Prof. Munson gave his talk on "Orcharding" in the evening, and upon being que tioned spoke at some length of small fruit culture, particularly strawberry that it was probable that two feeds a day growing, which interested many in the

> Friday's meeting at East Hebron was practically the same as the day before,

and daughter.

The meetings, Saturday, at Danville
Junction and East Poland, were well at-In the evening, Prof. Munson gave a lecture on "Orcharding," dwelling particularly upon the necessity of clean culture, good fertilization and careful and systematic spraying to secure good crops, and Prof. Gowell on "Dairying," at both

ANNUAL MEETING OF MAINE BOARD OF

The annual meeting of the Maine Board of Agriculture will be held at the rooms of the board, State House, Augusta, Me., Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 17 and 18. Half fare over the Maine Central Railroad will be granted to all who attend the meeting. Tickets will be sold on the 16th and 17th, good to return the

physics at University of Maine; music. Thursday, Jan. 18. 9 A. M., five-min-ute talks by members, each to suggest lines of institute work for 1900; discussion; 2 P. M., "Hon. B. F. Briggs," a memorial address by James L. Lowell, Auburn; fifteen-minute talks by mem Auburn; fifteen-minute talks by members; "Potatoes and Wheat in Aroostook County," Jonathan Benn, Hodgdon; "Orcharding," F. H. Rollins, Chesterville; "Fair Management," A. N. Douglass, Chelsea; "Butter Production," E. E. Light, Union; "Increasing Our Farm Resources," John M. Winslow, Nobleboro; "Small Fruits," Geo. N. Holland, Hampden; "Milk Preduction," W. H. Snow, Milo; "Our Best Crops," Joseph Ellis, Brooks; "Agriculture of Washington County," E. F. Allen, Columbia Falls.

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Wednesday, Jan. 17. 11 A. M., organization of the board and election of officers; 2 P. M., report of secretary and sexecutive committee; business; 7.30 P. M., "The Democracy of Education," a lecture by James S. Stevens, professor of physics at University of Maine: music.

Gioucester, Thursday afternoon and tected by state inspectors, and large and responsible firms are able to do better by their customers than ever before. Among those, none stands better than The Bow-ker Fertilizer Company. Since it was established by W. H. Bowker in 1873, it has gone on to a constant increase in business and in the farmers' confidence. Its Bowker fertilizers and Stockbridge. manures are recognized as a standard of fertilizer excellence, and are very popular throughout New England. This concern and its reputation are a monument to President Bowker, who has always given it his undivided attention, and who is proud of the fact that in these days of mbinations his company is independent

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idea, especially in Brazil. The Spectator then warns the United States Oren Hooper's Sons. that if it intends to uphold the Monroe a grange choir, consisting of Carroll Wy-Doctrine in the future it must not go to sleep over it now, but prepare to support a navy and army equal to the strain of Ellen Folsom and Hattie R. Billington, PORTLAND, MAINE.

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"Power! Did you ever hear of m being asked whether other souls should have power or not? It is born in them. You may dam up the fountain of water and make it a stagnant marsh, or you may let it run free and do its work, but you cannot say whether it shall be there. It is there. And it will act, if net openly for good, then covertly for evil, but it will act. If Goethe bad been stolen away a child and reared in a robber horde in the depths of a German forest, do you think the world would have had 'Faust' and 'Iphegenie?' But he would have been Goethe still, stronger, wiser than his fellows. At night round their watch fire he would have chanted wild songs of rapine and murder till the dark faces about him were moved and trembled. His songs would have echoed on from Inther to son and nerved the heart and

bern a woman that he would have been chair and sips choice wines with the contented to give small tea parties and lip of a connoisseur and tastes delitalk small scandal? He would have risen. But the world would not have heard of him as it hears of him nowa man great and kingly, with all his would have left one of those names that stain the leaf of every history, the names of women who, having power, but being denied the right exercise it openly, rule in the dark covertly and by stealth, through the nen whose passions they feed on and by whom they climb.

'Power!" she said suddenly, smiting her little hand upon the rail. "Yes, we we power, and, since we are not to expend it in tunneling mountains no aling diseases nor making laws nor money nor on any extraneous object we expend it on you. You are our goods, our merchandise, our materia r operating on. We buy you, we sel you, we make fools of you, we act the wily old Jew with you, we keep six of you crawling to our little feet and ying only for a touch of our little hand, and they say truly there was never an ache or a pain or a broker heart but a woman was at the botton We are not to study law no selence nor art, so we study you. There s never a nerve or fiber in your man's nature but we know it. We keep six you dancing in the palm of one lit the hand," she said, balancing her out stretched arm gracefully, as though tiny beings disported themselves in it "There-we throw you away and you sink to the devil," felding her arms composedly. "There was never a man who said one work for woman but he said two for man and three for the whole human race.' She watched the bird pecking up

the last yellow grains, but Waldo look ed only at her. When she spoke again, it was very

"They bring weighty arguments fect freedom of women," she said but when you come to the objections they are like pumpkin devils with can inside, hollow, and can't bite They say that women do not wish for the sphere and freedom we ask for them and would not use it.

the bird does like its cage and does like its sugar and will not leave it, why keep the door so very carefully shut? Why not open it, only a little Do they know there is many a bire will not break its wings against the bars, but would fly if the doors were open?" She knit her forehead and lean farther over the bars.

"Then they say, 'If the women have the liberty you ask for, they will be found in positions for which they are not fitted? If two men climb one ladder, did you ever see the weakest anywhere but at the foot? The surest sign of fitness is success. The weakest never wins but where there is handieapping. Nature left to herself will as beautifully apportion a man's work to graduated the colors on the bird's breast if we are not fit, you give us to no purpose the right to labor. The work will fall out of our hands into

se that are wiser." She talked more rapidly as she went en, as one talks of that over which one has brooded long and which lies near

one's heart. Waldo watched her intently.

"They say women have one great and noble work left them, and they do k ill. That is true. They do it execrably. It is the work that demands the readest culture, and they have no even the narrowest. The lawyer may see no deeper than his lawbooks and the chemist see no farther than the windows of his laboratory, and they may do their work well. But the wo man who does woman's work needs a many sided, multiform culture. The heights and denths of human life must not be beyond the reach of her vision She must have knowledge of men and things in many states, a wide catholic ity of sympathy, the strength that springs from knowledge and the magnanimity that springs from strength We bear the world, and we make it. The souls of little children are mar velously delicate and tender things and keep forever the shadow that first falls them, and that is the mother's, or, at best, a woman's. There was neve great man who had not a great mother. It is hardly an exaggeration. The first six years of our life make us. All that is added later is veneer. And yet some say if a woman can cook a dinner or dress herself well she has cul-

"The mightiest and poblest of human is given to us, and we do it ill. Send a navvy to work into an artist's and see what you will find there! And yet, thank God, we have this work," she added quickly. the one window through which we see into the great world of earnest labor The meanest girl who dances and dresses becomes something higher when her children look up into her face and ask her questions. It is the only education we have and which they cannot take from us

he smiled slightly. "They say that we complain of woman's being comlook upon marriage as a pro fession, but that she is free to enter

upon it or leave it, as she pleases. Yes, and a cat set affoat in a pone is free to sit in the tub till it dies there. It is under no obligation to wet its feet. And a drowning man may eatch | matter. at a straw or not, just as he likes. It

is a glorious liberty? Let any man think for five minutes of what old maiden-hood means to a woman, and then let throughout life a name that in itself signifies defeat-to dwell, as nine out of ten unmarried women must, under the finger of another woman? Is it easy to look forward to an old age withbonor, without the reward of use ful labor, without love? I wonder how many men there are who would give up everything that is dear in life for the sake of maintaining a high ideal

purity. She laughed a little laugh that was clear without being pleasant. "And then, when they have no other argument against us, they say: 'Go on, but when you have made woman what you wish and her children inherit her culture you will defeat yourself. Man will gradually become extinct from ex cess of intellect. The passions which replenish tl race will die.' she said, curling her pretty lip. Hottentot sits at the roadside and feeds on a rotten bone he has found there and takes out his bottle of Cape smoke and swills at it and grunts with satisfaction, and the cultured child of "Do you think if Napoleon had been the nineteenth century sits in his armcate dishes with a delicate palate and

with a satisfaction of which the Hotentot knows nothing. Heavy jaw and sloping forehead, all have gone with creasing intellect, but the animal appetites are there still, refined, discrimiative, but immeasurably intensified Fools! Before men forgave or worshiped, while they were still weak on their hind legs, did they not eat and drink and fight for wives? When all the latter additions to humanity have vanished, will not the foundation on which they are built remain?"

She was silent then for awhile and said somewhat dreamily, more as though speaking to herself than to him "They ask: What will you gain, even will have brought justice and equality on the earth and sent love from it. When men and women are equals, they will love no more. Your highly cul tured women will not be lovable, will

"Do they see nothing, understand nothing? It is Tant' Sannie who buries husbands one after another and folds ber hands resignedly-'The Lord gave. and the Lord hath taken away, and blessed be the name of the Lord'-and she looks for another. It is the hard headed, deep thinker who, when the wife who has thought and worked with him goes, can find no rest and lingers near her till he finds sleep beside her. "A great soul draws and is drawn

with a more fierce intensity than any small one. By every inch we grow in ntellectual height our love strikes down its roots deeper and spreads out its arms wider. It is for love's sake yet more than for any other that we ook for that new time." She had leaned her head against the stones and watched with her sad, soft eyes the retreating bird. "Then when that time comes," she said slowly, "when love is no more bought or sold, when is not a means of making bread, when each woman's life is filled with earnest, independent labor, then love will come to her, a strange sudden sweetness breaking in upon her earnest work, not sought for, but found. Then,

Waldo waited for her to finish the sentence, but she seemed to have for

gotten him.
"Lyndali," he said, putting his hand upon her (she started), "if you think that that new time will be so great, so good, you who speak so easily" She interrupted him.

"Speak, speak!" she said. "The difficulty is not to speak. The difficulty is to keep silence.'

"But why do you not try to bring that time?" he said, with pitiful sim-plicity. "When you speak, I believe all you say. Other people would listen to

"I am not so sure of that." she said with a smile.

Then over the small face came the eary look it had worn last night as i watched the shadow in the corner-ah so weary!

"I, Waldo, 1?" she said. "I will de nothing good for myself, nothing for the world, till some one wakes me. I am asleep, swathed, shut up in self. Till I have been delivered I will deliver

was not looking at him. "To see the good and the beautiful," she said, "and to have no strength to live it is only to be Moses on the mountain of Nebo, with the land at your feet and no power to enter. It would be better not to see it. Come," she said, looking up into his face and seeing its uncomprehending expression 'let us go. It is getting late. Doss is anxious for his breakfast also," she added, wheeling round and calling to the dog, who was endeavoring to unearth a mole, an occupation to which he had been zealously addicted from the third month, but in which he had never on any single occasion proved

Waldo shouldered his bag, and Lyndall walked on before in silence, with the dog close at her side. Perhaps she thought of the narrowness of the lim its within which a human soul may speak and be understood by its nearest of mental kin, of how soon it reaches that solitary land of the individual experience in which no fellow footfall is ever heard. Whatever her thought may have been, she was soon later rupted. Waldo came close to her and standing still, produced with awkwardness from his breast pocket a small carved box.

"I like it," she said, examining it

carefully. The workmanship was better than that covered it were delicate, and here and there small conical protuberances were let in among them. She turned it lovingly.

"There is one strange thing about it." he said earnestly, putting a fluger on one little pyramid. "I made it without these, and I felt something was wrong. I tried many changes, and at last I let these in, and then it was right. But why was it? They are

not beautiful in themselves." "They relieve the monotony of the smooth leaves, I suppose."

"The sky is menotenous," he said, big world's book that you find in your

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when it is blue, and yet it is beautiful. I have thought of that often. But it is not monotony and it is not variety makes beauty. What is it? The sky and your face and this boxthe same thing is in them all, only more in the sky and in your face. But what is it?

She smiled. "So you are at your old work still. Why, why, why? What is the reason? It is enough for me," she said, "if I find out what is beautiful and what is ugly, what is real and what is not. Why it is there and over the final cause of things in general I don't trouble my-It to me? If I howl to all eternity, I shall never get hold of it, and if I did I might be no better off. But you Germans are born with an appetite burrowing. You can't help yourselves. You must sniff after reasons, just as that dog must after a mole. He knows perfectly well he will never catch it, but he's under the imperative necessity of digging for it."

"But he might find it." "Might! But be never has and neve will. Life is too short to run after mights. We must have certainties." She tucked the box under her arm and was about to walk on when Gregory Rose, with shining spurs, an os trich feather in his hat and a silver headed whip, careered past. He bowed gallantly as he went by. waited till the dust of the horse's hoofs had laid.

"There," said Lyndall, "goes a true woman, one born for the sphere that some women have to fill without being born for it. How happy he would sewing frills into his little girl's frocks, and how pretty he would look about him last night." sitting in a parlor, with a rough man making love to him! Don't you think

"I shall not stay here when he is master," Waldo answered, not able to connect any kind of beauty with Greg-

"I should imagine not. The rule of woman is tyranny, but the rule of a man woman grinds fine. Where are

you going?" "Anywhere."

"What to do?"

"See-see everything." You will be disappointed." 1000 "And were you?"

"Yes, and you will be more so. I want some things that men and the world give. You do not. If you have a few yards of earth to stand on and a bit of blue over you and something that you cannot see to dream about, you know how to use. But I like to ee real men. Let them be as disagree able as they please, they are more in teresting to me than dowers or trees or stars or any other thing under the sun. Sometimes," she added walking on and shaking the dust daintily from her skirts, "when I am not too busy trying to find a new way of doing my air that will show my little neck to better advantage or over other work of that kind-sometimes it amuses me intensely to trace out the resemblance between one man and another, to se Bonaparte, St. Simon on his pillar and the emperor dining off larks' tongues are one and the same compound, mere ly mixed in different proportions. What is microscopic in one is largely developed in another, what is a rudimentary In one man is an active organ in an other, but all things are in all men and one soul is the model of all. We shall find nothing new in human na ever shall truly know-ourself.

ture after we have once carefully dis sected and analyzed the one being we "The Kathr girl threw some coffee of my arm in bed this morning. I felt displeased, but said nothing. 'Tant' Sannie would have thrown the saucer at her and sworn for an hour, but the feeling would be the same irritated "I made it for you," he said, holding displeasure. If a huge animated stomach like Bonaparte were put under a glass by a skillful mental microscopis even he would be found to have an embryonic doubling somewhere indica that of the grave post. The flowers tive of a heart and rudimentary buddings that might have become con science and sincerity. Let me take your arm, Waldo. How full you are round critically. Waldo bent over of mealie dust! No; never mind. It will brush off. And sometimes what is more amusing still than tracing the likeness between man and man trace the analogy there always is between the progress and development of one individual and of a whole nation or, again, between a single nation and the entire human race. It is pleasant when it dawns on you that the one is just the other written out in large letsmooth leaves, I suppose."

He shook his head as over a weighty follies and virtues and developments

little internal self. It is the most amusing thing I know of, but of course eing a woman, I have not often time for such amusements. Professional duties always first, you know. It takes a great deal of time and thought always to look perfectly exquisite, ever for a pretty woman. Is the old buggy

still in existence, Waldo?" "Yes, but the harness is broken." "Well, I wish you would mend it You must teach me to drive. I must learn something while I am here. I got the Hottentot girl to show me ho o make 'sarsarties' this morning and Tant' Sannie is going to teach me to make 'kapjes.' I will come and sit with you this afternoon while you mend the harness." "Thank you."

"No; don't thank me. I come for my own pleasure. I never find any one I can talk to. Women bore me, and me I talk so to-'Going to the ball this evening? Nice little dog that of yours. Pretty little ears. So fond of pointe And they think me fascinating. charming! Men are like the earth, and we are the moon. We turn always one side to them, and they think there s no other because they don't see it. but there is."

They had reached the house now. "Tell me when you set to work," sh aid and walked toward the door. Waldo stood to look after her, and Doss stood at his side, a look of painful uncertainty depicted on his small countenance and one-little foot poised in the air. Should he stay with his naster or go? He looked at the figure with the wide straw hat moving to his master. Then he put down the little paw and went. Waldo watched them both in at the door and then walked away alone. He was satisfied that at least his dog was with her.

CHAPTER XVIII. FANT' SANNIE HOLDS AN UPSITTING, AND GREGORY WRITES A LETTER

It was just after sunset and Lyndali ad not yet returned from her first driving lesson when the lean colored woman, standing at the corner of the house to enjoy the evening breeze, saw coming along the road a strange horse man. Very narrowly she surveyed him as he slowly approached. He was attired in the deepest mourning, the black crape round his tall hat totally concealing the black felt and nothing out a dazzling shirt frout relieving the funereal tone of his attire. He rode much forward in his saddle, with his chin resting on the uppermost of his shirt studs, and there was an air of meek subjection to the will of heaver and to what might be in store for him that bespoke itself even in the way in which he gently urged his steed. was evidently in no hurry to reach his destination, for the nearer he approached to it the slacker did his brille hang. The colored woman, having luly inspected him, dashed into the lwelling.

"Here is another one," she cried, " vidower. I see it by his hat." "Good Lord!" said Tant' Sannie. "It's the seventh I've had this month. But

the men know where sheep and good ooks and money in the bank are to be ound," she added, winking knowingly. "How does he look?" "Nineteen, weak eyes, white hair, lit-

le round nose," said the maid. "Then it's be, then it's be," said Tant' Sannie, triumphantly, Plet Vander Walt, whose wife died last month-two farms, 12,000 sheep I've not seen him, but my sister-in-lay told me about him, and I dreamed

Here Piet's black hat appeared in the oorway, and the Boer woman drev herself up in dignified silence, extend ed the tips of her fingers and motione solemnly to a chair. The young man eated himself, sticking his feet as far under it as they would go, and said nildly:

"I am Little Piet Vander Walt, and ny father is Big Piet Vander Walt." Tant' Sannie said solemnly, "Yes,"

"Aunt," said the young man, start ing up spasmodically, "can I off sad 'Yes.

He seized his hat and disappeare with a rush through the door.

"I told you so! I knew it!" said Tant' Sannie. "The dear Lord doesn' send dreams for nothing. Didn't I tel you this morning that I dreamed of great beast like a sheep, with red eyes you have all that you need, all that and I killed it? Wasn't the white wo his hair, and the red eyes his weal eyes, and my killing him meant marriage? Get supper ready quickly. The sheep's inside and roaster cakes. We shall sit up tonight."

To young Piet Vander Walt that sup per was a period of intense torture There was something overawing in that assembly of English people, with their incomprehensible speech and, moreover, it was his first courtship. His first wife had courted him, and ten months of severe domestic rule had not raised his spirit or courage. He how Tant' Sannie and I, you and ate little and when he raised a morse to his lips glanced guiltily round to see If he were not observed. He had put three rings on his little finger, with the intention of sticking it out stiffly when he raised a coffee cup. Now the little finger was curled miserably among its fellows. It was small relief when the he repaired to the front room. Once scated there, he set his knees close to gether, stood his black hat upon them and wretchedly turned the brim up and down. But supper had cheered Tant' Sannie, who found it impossible longer to maintain that decorous silence and whose heart yearned over the youth. "I was related to your Aunt Selena who died," said Tant' Sannie. "My mother's stepbrother's child was mar-ried to her father's brother's stepnephew's niece." "Yes, aunt." said the young man. "I

knew we were related.' "It was her cousin," said Tant' Sar nie, now fairly on the flow, "who had the cancer cut out of her breast by the other doctor, who was not the right doctor they sent for, but who did it

quite as well." "Yes, aunt." said the young man. "I've heard about it often," said Tant' Sannie. "And he was the son of the old doctor that they say died on Christmas day, but I don't know that's true. People do tell such awful Why should be die on Christman day more than any other day?"

"Yes, aunt, why?" said the young nan meekly. "Did you ever have the toothache?" asked Tant' Sannie. "No. aunt."

"Well, they say that doctor-not the

son of the old doctor that died on come when he was sent for-he gave such good stuff for the toothache that if you opened the bottle in the room where any one was bad they got better directly. You could see it was good stuff," said Tant' Sannie. "It tasted horrid. That was a real doctor! He it had vanished. Then, finding the used to give a bottle so high," said the Boer woman, raising her hand a foot "You could drink at from the table. it for a month and it wouldn't get done, and the same medicine wa good for all sorts of sicknesses-croup, measles, jaundice, dropsy. Now you have to buy a new kind for each sickness. The doctors aren't so good as they used to be."

"No. aunt," said the young man, who was trying to gain courage to stick out his legs and clink his spurs together He did so at last. Tant' Sannie had noticed the spur

before, but she thought it showed a letter: nice, manly spirit, and her heart warm ed yet more to the youth. "Did you ever have convulsions whe you were a baby?" asked Tant' San

"Yes," said the young man. "Strange!" said Tant' Sannie. "I had convulsions too. Wonderful that we should be so much alike!"

sively, "can we sit up tonight?" Tant' Sannie hung her head and half closed her eyes; but, finding that her little wiles were thrown away, the young man staring fixedly at his hat, she simpered, "Yes," and went away

"Aunt," said the young man explo

In the dining room Em worked at her machine, and Gregory sat close beside her, his great blue eyes turned to the window where Lyndall leaned out talking to Waldo. Tant' Sannie took two candles out of

the cupboard and held them up tri-umphantly, winking all round the 'He's asked for them," she said.

"Does he want them for his horse's rubbed back?" asked Gregory, new to up country life.
"No," said Tant' Sannie indignantly;

"we're going to sit up!" and she walked off in triumph with the candles. Nevertheless when all the rest of the louse had retired, when the long candle was lighted, when the coffee kettle was filled, when she sat in the elbow chair, with her lover on a chair close beside her, and when the vigil of the night was fairly begun, she began to find it wearizome. The young man looked chilly and said nothing.

"Won't you put your feet on my stove?" said Tant' Sannie "No, thank you, aunt," said the young man, and both lapsed into sience.

to sleep, tapped a strong cup of coffee for herself and handed another to her lover. This visibly revived both. "How long were you married, cousin ?"

"Ten months, aunt." "How old was your baby?"
"Three days when it died." "It's very hard when we must give our husbands and wives to the Lord,"

"Very," said the young man, "but it's the Lord's will." "Yes," said Tant' Sannie and sighed. "She was such a good wife, aunt.
"You known her break a churn stick over a maid's head for only letting dust

said Tant' Sannie.

he said

ome on a milk cloth." Tant' Sannie felt a twinge of jealousy. She had never broken a churn stick or a maid's head. "I hope your wife made a good end."

"Oh, beautiful, aunt! She said up a osalm and two hymns and a half beore she died."

Tant' Sannie. "No," said the young man; "but the night before she died I was lying at the foot of her bed. I felt her foot kick

"'Annie, my heart,' said I. "'My little baby that died yesterday has been here, and it stood over the a box, she said.

"What did it say?' I asked. "'It said that if I died you must mary a fat woman.

'I will,' I said, and I went to sleep gain. Presently she woke me 'The baby has been here again, and t says you must marry a woman over 30 and who's had two husbands. "I didn't go to sleep after that for a long time, aunt: but when I did she

"The baby has been here again,' she said, 'and it says you mustn't marry a woman with a mole.' I told her I vouldn't, and the next day she died. "That was a vision from the Releemer," said Tant' Sannie.

The young man nodded his head mournfully. He thought of a younger sister of his wife's who was not fat and who had a mole and of whom his wife had always been jealous, and he wished the little baby had liked better staying in heaven than coming and standing over the wagon chest. "I suppose that's why you came to

me?" said Tant' Sannie. "Yes, aunt. And pa said I ought to get married before shearing time. It is bad if there's no one to see after can't stand it myself," he said. meal was over and Tant' Sannie and things then, and the maids waste such a lot of fat."

"When do you want to get married?" "Next month, aunt," said the young man in a tone of hopeless resignation. "May I kiss you, aunt?" "Fy, fy?" said Tant' Sannie and then gave him a resounding kiss. "Come.

draw your chair a little closer,"

said, and, their elbows now touching, they sat on through the night. The next morning at dawn, as Em passed through Tant' Sannie's beding off her boots preparatory to climbing into bed.

"Where is Piet Vander Walt?" "Just gone," said Tant' Sannie, "and I am going to marry him this day four weeks. I am dead sleepy," she added. "The stupid thing doesn't know how to talk love talk at all." And she climbed into the four poster, clothes and all, and drew the quilt up to her

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On the day preceding Tant' Sannie's wedding Gregory Rose sat in the blaz ng sun on the stone wall behind his daub and wattle house. It was warm but he was intently watching a small buggy that was being recklessly driver over the bushes in the direction of the farmhouse. Gregory never stirred till stones hot, he slipped down and walk ed into the house. He kicked the little pail that lay in the doorway and sent it into one corner. That did him good Then he sat down on the box and be gan cutting letters out of a piece of Finding that the snip newspaper. pings littered the floor, he picked then up and began scribbling on his blotting paper. He tried the effect of different nitials before the name Rose-G. Rose. E. Rose, L. Rose, L. Rose, L. L. L. L. Rose. When he had covered the sheet. he looked at it discontentedly a little while, then suddenly began to write a

Beloved Sister-It is a long while since 1 i ote to you, but I have had no time. tie first morning I have been at home since on't know when. Em always expects me to go

nobody good enough to talk to her and just as a there had nobody else but her been to boarding

school before.

They are going to have a grand affair tomorow. All the Boers about are coming, and the are going to dance all night, but I don't thin I shall dance at all, for, as Em's cousin say these Boer dances are low things. I am sure only disposed at the last to whome Em. Law. these Boer dances are low things. I am sure only danced at the last to please Em. I don know why she is fond of dancing. Em talked our being married on the same day as Tant's a male, but I said it would be nicer for her if a waited till the shearing was over and I took h down to see you. I suppose she will have to living the world but a poor £50. I don't like h at all, Jemima, and I don't think you would.
got such queer ways. She's always driving
in a gig with that low German, and I don't it's at all the thing for a woman to

in a gig with that low German, and I don't think it's at all the thing for a woman to be going about with a man she's not engaged to, do you? If it was me, now, of course, who am a kind of connection, it would be different. The way she treats me, considering that I am so soon to be her cousin, is not at all nice. I took down my album the other day with your likenesses in it, and I told her she could look at it and put it down close to her, but she just said, "Thank you," and never even tsuched it, as much as to say, What are your relatives to me?

She gets the wildest horses in that buggy and a horrid snappish little cur belonging to the German sitting in front, and then she drives out alone. I don't think it's at all proper for a woman to drive out alone. I wouldn't allow it if she was my sister. The other morning—I don't know how it happened—I was going in the way from which she was coming, and that little beast—they call his Doss—began to bark when he saw me—he always does, the little wretch—and the horses began to spring and kicked the splash board all to pieces. It was a sight to see, Jemina! She has got the littlest hands I ever saw. I could hold them both in one of mine and not know that I'd got anything, except that they were so soft, but she held those horses in as though they were made of iron. When I wanted to help her, she said: "No, thank you; I can manage them myself. I've got a pair of bits that would broak their jaws if I used them well," and she laughed and drove away. It's so unwomanly.

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Tell father my hire of the ground will not out for six months, and before that Em and will be married. My pair of birds is breeding tow, but I naven't been down to see them for low, but I naven't been down to see them for three days. I don't seem to care about anything any more. I don't know what it is; I'm no well. If I go into town on Saturday, I will let he doctor examine noe. But perhaps she'll go it herself. It's a very strange thing, lemima, but she never will send her letters to post by me if I ask her, she has none, and the very next day he goes in and posts them berself. You mustn's ay anything about it, Jemima, but twice I'v brought her letters from the post in a gentle man's hand, arsl i'm sure they were both fron the same person, because I noticed every little mark, even the dotting of the i's. Of course it'nothing to me, but for Em's sake I can't bely feeling an interest in her, showever much I may leeding an interest in her, showever much I may dislike her myself, and I hope she's up to not ing. I pity the man who marries her. I wouldn be him for anything. If I had a wife with prid I'd make her give it up, sharp. I don't belie in a man who can't make a woman obey hir Now Em—I'm very fond of her, as you know "Did she feave any messages?" asked but if I tell ber to put on a certain dress, the

but if I tell her to put on a certain dress, that dress she puts on; and if I tell her to sit on a certain seat, on that seat she sits; and if I tell her not to speak to a certain individual she does not speak to him. If a man lets a woman do what he doesn't like, he's a must.

Give my love to mother and the children. The "weld" here is looking pretty good, and the sheep are better since we washed them. Tell father the dip he recommended is very good.

Em sends her love to you. She is making me some woolen shirts, but they don't fit me so nicely as those mother made me. Write soon to your loving brother,

GERGORY.

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P. S.—She drove past just now. I was sitting on the kraal wall right before her eyes, and she never even howed. G. N. R.

CHAPTER XIX.

A BOER WEDDING. "I didn't know before you were so fond of riding hard," said Gregory to his little betrothed.

They were cantering slowly on the road to Oom Muller's on the morning of the wedding. "Do you call this riding hard?" asked

Em in some astonishment. "Of course I do. It's enough to break the horses' necks and knock one up for the whole day besides," he added testily, then twisted his head to look at the buggy that came on behind. "I thought Waldo was such a mad driver. They are taking it easily enough today." said Gregory. "One would think the black stallions were lame."

"I suppose they want to keep out of the dust," said Em. "See; they stand still as soon as we do." Perceiving this to be the case, Greg-

"It's all that horse of yours. She kicks up such a confounded dust 1 Meanwhile the cart came on slowly enough.

"Take the reins," said Lyndall, "and make them walk. I want to rest and watch their hoofs today-not to be exhilarated. I amoso tired." She leaned back in her corner, and

Waldo drove on slowly in the gray dawn light along the level road. passed the very milk bush behind which so many years before the old German had found the Kaffir woman. But their thoughts were not with him room, she found the Boer woman pull-ing off her boots preparatory to climb-of the young, that run out to meet the future and labor in the present. last be touched her arm.

> "What is it?" "I feared you had gone to sleep and might be joited out." he said. "You sat so quietly."

"No: do not talk to me. I am no sleep." But after a time she said suddenly, "It must be a terrible thing to bring a human being into the world." Waldo looked round: she sat drawn into the corner, her blue cloud wound tightly about her, and she still watched the horses' feet. Having no comment to offer on her somewhat unexpected remark, he merely touched up

"I have no conscience, none," she added. "But I would not like to bring a soul into this world. When it sinned and when it suffered, something like a dead hand would fall on me: You did t, you; for your own pleasure you cre ated this thing! See your work? lived to be 80, it would always hang like a milistone round my neck, bave the right to demand good from me and curse me for its sorrow. A parent is only like to God-if his work turns out bad, so much the worse for him; he dare not wash his hands of it. Time and years can never bring the day when you can say to your child, 'Soul, what have I to do with you?" Waldo said dreamily:

"It is a marvelous thing that one soul hould have power to cause another." She heard the words as she heard the beating of the horses' hoofs; her thoughts ran on in their own line "They say. God sends the little ba-

bles.' Of all the dastardly revolting lies men tell to suit themselves, I hate that most. I suppose my father said so when he knew he was dying of con sumption, and my mother when she knew she had nothing to support me on, and they created me to feed like a dog from stranger hands. Men do not say God sends the books or the newspaper 'articles or the machines they make, and then sigh and shrug their shoulders and say they can't help it Why do they say so about other things? Liars: 'God sends the little bables?" She struck her foot fretfully against the splash board. "The small children say so carnestly

They touch the little stranger rever ently who has just come from God's far country, and they peep about the room to see if not one white feather has dropped from the wing of the an gel that brought him. the phrase means much; on all other It is a deliberate lie. Noticeable, too, she said, dropping in an instant from tone, "when people are married, though they should have 60 children, they throw the whole onus on God. When they are not, we hear nothing about God's having sent them. When there has been no legal contract between the parents, who sends the little children then? The devit, perhaps!" She laughed her little silvery, mocking laugh "Odd that some men should come from hell and some from heaven and yet all look so much alike when they get here.' Waldo wondered at her. He had not

the key to her thoughts and did not see

the string on which they were strung.

She drew her cloud tighter about her "It must be very nice to believe in the devil," she said. "I wish I did. If it would be of any use, I would pray three bours night and morning on my bare knees, 'God, let me believe in satan.' He is so useful to those peo ple who do. They may be as selfish and as sensual as they please and, be tween God's will and the devil's ac tion, always have some one to throw their sin on. But we, wretched unbe lievers, we bear our own burdens. We must say: 'I myself did it, I. Not God not satan; I myself! That is the sting that strikes deep.. Waldo," she said gently, with a sudden and complete change of manner, "I like you so much I love you." She rested her cheek soft ly against his shoulder. "When I am with you, I never know that I am a woman and you are a man. I only know that we are both things that Other men, when I am with them, wnether I love them or not, they are mere bodies to me, but you are a spirit. I like you. Look," she said quickly, sinking back into her corner, what a pretty pinkness there is on all the hilltops! The sun will rise in a moment.

Waldo lifted his eyes to look round over the circle of golden hills, and the orses, as the first sunbeams touched them, shook their heads and champed their bright bits till the brass settings in their barness glittered again.

It was 8 o'clock when they neared the farmhouse, a red brick building, with kraals to the right and a small orchard to the left. Already there were signs of unusual life and bustle. One cart, a wagon and a couple of saddles against the wall betokened the arrival of a few early guests, whose numbers would soon be largely increased. To up in numbers astonishing to one who has merely ridden through the plains of sparsely inhabited "karroo."

As the morning advances riders on many shades of steeds appear from all directions and add their saddles to the long rows against the walls, shake hands, drink coffee and stand about outside in groups to watch the arriving carts and ox wagons as they are unburdened of their heavy freight of massive Tantes and comely daughters. followed by swarms of children of all sizes, dressed in all manner of print and moleskin, who are taken care of by Hottentot, Kaffir and half caste nurses, whose many shaded complexions, ranging from light yellow up to ebony black, add variety to the animated scene. Everywhere are excite ment and bustle, which gradually increase as the time for the return of the wedding party approaches. Preparations for the feast are actively advancing in the kitchen; coffee is liberally handed round, and amid a profound sensation and the firing of guns the horse wagon draws up, and the wedding party alight. Bride and bridegroom, with their attendants, march solemnly to the marriage chamber. where bed and box are decked out in white with ends of ribbon and artificial flowers and where on a row of chairs the party solemnly seat them selves. After a time bridesmaid and best man rise and conduct in with ceremony each individual guest to wish success and to kiss bride and bride groom. Then the feast is set on the table, and it is almost sunset before the dishes are cleared away and the pleasure of the day begins (Contint od next week.)

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"Well," he exclaimed, "there's no use in talking, I can't eat this stuff."
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You never heard a sweeter word of praise.

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For just then there comes to you
The trials she's gone through
And borne without a murmur for your sake.
You can only bow your head
At the loving things she's said. While your poor old heart will only ache and

But she knows what ails you then, And she kisses you again.
While you hear her gently whisper, sweet
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Address delivered at Andrescoggin Po-ona, Wales, by Mrs. Annie L. Gray, Read-

We are standing on the threshold of new era. As we read the papers and magazines from day to day, and from y week to week, we find that here and there, all over our land, the people seem to be awakening to a knowledge of the a power they possess; and in view of the s fact that our order is steadily increasing c in membership, it behooves us to look about and see what we, the Patrons of t Maine, can do to aid in wielding that i power in a wise and noble manner. In his annual address to the State grange, last December, Worthy State Master Gardner said: "We are second only to the Empire state in number of members. and in average number per grange, we exceed them fifty per cent." said that he was satisfied, by observation, that our membership is as truly representative of the agricultural in- 8:

terests of the country as any state in I This is a grand record, but the opportunity is ours to make it still more grand

and noble. "There are men and women all over the world

Whom Maine is proud to own,
But demand for the good still exceeds the supply,
And experience surely has shown
That a standing army's a good thing to have, That in emergency's plight,

We be ready for action at word of command Brothers and sisters, it is for us, if we th will, to belong to the rank and file of this | 80 standing army, to so dignify our noble order that it shall be enough to know the of a person's worth to know that he or | cl she is a member of the grange, and that la

it shall be understood that the Patrons will stand together and work shoulder to shoulder for the greatest good of all. Some months ago, a public official of one of our western cities made this statement of his belief, in writing, to a Chicago paper: "I know that the republic cannot endure, and that our mock Christianity must perish from the face of the earth, unless those of us who fa claim to be both patriotic and Christian are able to demonstrate, by the sacrifice of service, that our claims are well founded, by redeeming our beloved country from the cruel grasp of selfish of greed that would destroy, and making it

what God designed it should be, "a haven g for the oppressed of all the earth. Brothers and sisters, have we all recognized the fact that selfishness, in one of form or another, in one person or another, lies at the bottom of nearly every crime that is committed?

We, the people of this country, are a selfish people. It is bred in us, if not je born in us; and it shows itself all through the life, from the child who goes early to school on the first day of the term in the order to get the coveted seat, to the millionaires who compel us to pay interest on watered stock, and grind from the oor to enrich their own coffers. In cur own families, we may be ready to sacri-fice for those we love, but it comes harder to work for the greatest good of all.

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Did you ever stop to think how prone

we are to see the worst side of people, to

notice all their faults, and overlook their

good qualities? And not only to notice

them, but to speak of them, too. If, in-

reason for his views, and we should find

Let us look a little farther in our text-

book. "To foster mutual understand-

opportunity, but the actual duty of every

might and main to understand the prin-

tion, and cooperate for the purpose of

securing it. To be sure, the sisters can-

not vote, but the brothers can, and as

our order recognizes the fact that

"woman is the educator of youth, and

the co-student of man through life,"

our opportunity consists in studying

ciples, and then teaching them to the

tact, whether at home, at school, or in

Another of our objects is to "main

tain inviolate our laws, and to emulate

each other in labor to hasten the good

time coming." The laws of our order

as well as those of our state and nation

should be faithfully kept, and it should

each one of us, not only to keep them

ourselves, but use our influence to put

in office those who will faithfully en-

force them. And assuming the phrase,

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Farther on in our text book we find

this: "We shall constantly strive to se

local, sectional and national prejudices

worthy member of the Patrons of Hus-

bandry will seek an office, in the order

or out of it. When this principle is

foregoing we shall indeed be doing as

we have pledged ourselves to do, striv-

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wisdom, justice, fraternity and political

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of the opportunities which are coming to

in our own homes, or wherever we are;

and when we so take advantage of them

interests, but representative of the true

be increased a thousand fold, and none

will dare to say that the moral and social

We learn from the report of Bro. Libby.

at the last meeting of the executive com-

With increase in numbers our influence ex

and never ends
Until we reach the shore beyond. And who

Truly, as has been said, "Our possi-

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Our influence then on earth will cease?"

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that a standing army's a good thing to have,
That in emergency's plight, We be ready for action at word of command.

will stand together and work shoulder months to get out of their business, or to shoulder for the greatest good of all, out of the church.

Some months ago, a public official of claim to be both patriotic and Christian By giving more heed to the principles of are able to demonstrate, by the sacrifice our order. of service, that our claims are well

for the oppressed of all the earth. Brothers and sisters, have we all recog-

poor to enrich their own coffers. to work for the greatest good of all.

# **BOWELS**



Rev. John Watson, better known as justice to the patriotism, love of education, and many other characteristics of the American people, points out to Ian Maclaren, on his return from a visit the American people, points out in a friendly way this spirit of selfishness, or secular spirit, as he terms it, and calls it the shadow on American life. Among the shadow on American life. Among the things he says: "Every calling in The Best and Safest life should have its ideal, so that a man may work, not for what he has to get, in the announce- but for what he is to do; and if he be a ment made upon found, not in what he has got, but in Billious and Nervous Disorders has no ideal, then it is not one to be purgarding the Maine sued, and does not deserve the name of calling, and if a man is not touched with a sense of this ideal, he is not really Female Ailments. a free worker, but ought rather to consider himself a mere mercenary." Again he says: "There are especially two spheres of life where the secular spirit ought to be kept in check, and where it ought to be kept in check, and where it seems to one visiting America to have a dangerous influence. One is politics, and here every one will agree that if it is to be well with the commonwealth, it is necessary to cherish the highest ideal

of citizenship." I think I hear some brother say "That's politics! Women should let politics alone, and not meddle with what does not concern them." Just listen and see if it does not concern them! Men are stead, all would give heed to these words elected to office, generally speaking, beof Paul, the pessimist would have less cause of their selfish desire to further their own interests, and because they are it much easier to treat all as brothers the candidates nominated by their party, and sisters. -not on account of their ability and willingness to faithfully perform the duties of that office. As a result, see ing and cooperation." It is not only the how the prohibitory law is enforced in Maine; and there are hundreds,-yes, member of the order to strive with thousands-of wives and mothers, sisters and daughters in this state, who ciples of good government, not only in suffer untold miseries in consequence the grange but in town, state and nathereof, and the men who have not the high ideal regarding politics referred to by Ian Maclaren, but vote for the party candidate simply because he is the party candidate, are responsible for all this suffering.

Again, men are elected to the legislature and to Congress, generally speaking, with them to understand those prin ecause of their selfish desire to further their own interests, and because they are the candidates nominated by their OUR OPPORTUNITIES AND INPLUENCE. party, not because they will look after he interests of the state or nation as carefully as they would their own. As a result, look at the appropriations of the We are standing on the threshold of a last legislature, or at the laws which adnew era. As we read the papers and mit of the rich man growing richer bemagazines from day to day, and from yond all calculation, at the expense of week to week, we find that here and his poorer neighbor. And the wives be the duty, as it is the opportunity, of there, all over our land, the people seem and daughters must see their husbands to be awakening to a knowledge of the and fathers working beyond their power they possess; and in view of the strength, or going without work; their fact that our order is steadily increasing children going without the comforts in membership, it behooves us to look and often the necessaries of life, must about and see what we, the Patrons of themselves work like slaves from morn Maine, can do to aid in wielding that ing till night, with no chance for self power in a wise and noble manner. In improvement or recreation, to meet the his annual address to the State grange, demands made by this unjust legislalast December, Worthy State Master tion. Do not politics concern women? I

The other sphere where, according to Ian Maclaren, this unworthy spirit has intruded with considerable daring is the Church of Christ. Now it is a fact that tion, that our membership is as truly ministers get the greater part of their representative of the agricultural in- salaries from the rich men, because the terests of the country as any state in poor, though they would gladly pay, cannot do it. Consequently, if they preach against liquor-selling, the evil of monopolies, trusts, etc., and advocate the principle of the Golden Rule applied to every-day life, they are hitting some of their rich parishioners in a tender spot, and their own salary is thereby endered uncertain. So to make sure of that, they avoid such subjects as these, and lay great stress on the future life utterly ignoring the fact that there is no the attention of every grange member then said: To defend either country or right,"

Brothers and sisters, it is for us, if we will, to belong to the rank and file of this self sacrifice for the good of others, as will, to belong to the rank and file of this self sacrifice for the good of others, as time getting round. To-day is the last time getting round. To-day is the last two will, he said that the happiness of this world would be more than doubled the man, and not the man the office. No standing army, to so dignify our noble did our Savior. I glory in the spirit of order that it shall be enough to know the pastor of the Walnut St. Baptist of a person's worth to know that he or church at Louisville, Kentucky, who she is a member of the grange, and that it shall be understood that the Patrons who belonged to his church, twelve

The charge has been made, within the one of our western cities made this state- year, that the Christian religion is on ment of his belief, in writing, to a Chi- the decline in the rural communities, cago paper: "I know that the republic and that the moral and social ruin of caunot endure, and that our mock New England is inevitable. Brothers Christianity must perish from the face and sisters, we know that charge to be of the earth, unless those of us who false, and it is for us to prove it. How?

We are wont to lay great stress upo founded, by redeeming our beloved some of the specific objects set forth in country from the cruel grasp of selfish our Declaration of Purposes, but it greed that would destroy, and making it seems to me that we but cast a passing what God designed it should be, "a haven glance at some of those which are most important. Much attention is given to enhancing the comforts and attractions nized the fact that selfishness, in one of our homes, the cultivation of farm, form or another, in one person or an- garden and orchard, the breeding of other, lies at the bottom of nearly every stock, and the best methods of dairying, crime that is committed? We, the people of this country, are a | we all pay as much attention to that obselfish people. It is bred in us, if not ject which we may legitimately consider born in us; and it shows itself all through the highest, because by the wise and life, from the child who goes early to noble founders of our order it was given school on the first day of the term in the precedence of all others, viz: "To order to get the coveted seat, to the mil- develop a better and higher manhood llonaires who compel us to pay interest on watered stock, and grind from the we in our intercourse not only with our In cur brothers and sisters, but with all others of a bud. It is for us to develop them own families, we may be ready to sacriwith whom we have to do, apply the into a life as perfect as the full blown
fice for those we love, but it comes harder
principle of the Golden Rule, which is rose, and fruit of rare perfection." principle of the Golden Rule, which is rose, and fruit of rare perfection." the only true principle of living? If not, let us begin to-day,-"turn over a not, let us begin to-day,—"turn over a new leaf," as the saying is,—and "fordeep. When the blood is tainted by disgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth into those things which are before," strive in all ways to develop that better and higher manhood

will show it. Sallow or muddy com-plexions, pimples, blotches and erup-tions are only the surface signs of im-pure blood. Face washes, lotions, complexion powders, may palliate the evils but they cannot cure the disease. The only cure is to cleanse the blood of the and womanhood which shall give us admission to that "standing army." This Declaration of Purposes has been oisonous matter which is the cause of given to us as a text book, and if we use tho outbreak in the flesh and skin. Imas a key the Book whose teachings are made so prominent in our ritualistic the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical made so prominent in our ritualistic work, we may be sure that we shall be well-equipped for our battle of life. St. Paul has given us these words, to which if we give heed, we shall find ourselves much better able to practice the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue and if there b

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And lays it on till we cry, my boy. How long the term shall be for each We know nothing at all about, my boy And school is always open to teach

Some get prizes, and many blanks; The prizes are mighty few, my boy But the one most envied in all our ranks Would be quick to change with you, my bo

Visdom and wealth are prizes rare With which no one would dispense, my boy; But the rich and the sage would swap for yo

young with whom we may come in con-All of their dollars and sense, my boy. Don't envy the great who rides in state Down the middle of life's broad road, my

> The black imp, Care, is behind him there, And his steed carries double load, my boy. Old Vanderbillion, with fourteen cooks To see that his dinners are right, my boy, Would puch cooks and wine to the dogs, On a crust with your appetite, my boy.

The sun is shining upon your face;
Our shadows are all before, my boy;
And they lengthen out with every pace—
Soon they will fall no more, my boy.

"the good time coming" to mean, as has Harvest the sunshine in your heart. been said by some, the era of "peace on Gather its heat and light, my box You'll want it when the shadows fall,
And you feel the chill of night, my boy. earth and good will to men," is not this -From Essays and Satires

#### THE RIGHT ONE.

cure entire harmony, good will, vital Gordon came home from Sunday brotherhood among ourselves, and to chool, one day, and said to his mother: make our order perpetual. We shall "There was a strange gentleman spoke earnestly endeavor to suppress personal, to us to-day, after the lesson.' "Indeed," said Mrs. Hawes, Gordon's

all unhealthy rivalry, all selfish ambi "Was he interesting?" "O, yes; rather," replied Gordon, with tion." When each and every one of us shall improve these opportunities as they his hand over his mouth to conceal a are given to us, we shall indeed have yawn he could not suppress. made a long stride toward the "good "What did he talk about?"

"Well, I can hardly tell. The boys in What will make our order perpetual? our class didn't pay very good attention, and I didn't hear all that he said." Order-loving, law-abiding members, who lay aside all personal prejudice and all "Didn't you hear anything he said?"

"O, yes; some things." "Tell me one thing.

self-interest and act impartially for the There is one more principle to which Gordon reflected for a moment, an

> one person better." "That is true."

"And he asked all who were willing to faithfully observed, in addition to the try to make one person better to hold up their hands." "Did you hold up your hand?"

"Yes, ma'am; I did." "Then you must keep your word.

Now, whom will you try to make bet-

"Well," replied Gordon, after a mous every day, not only in the grange, but ment's silence, "there is Harry Lawrence. He isn't a very good boy. Then there's Jerry Deane: Jerry makes the teacher a as to make the order in our state not good deal of trouble in school." "You never make any trouble for the

only representative of the agricultural teacher, do you?" nobility of the land, our influence will

untruthful boy, and he said: Miss Wade once in a while; but I'm not It is a good place to slide on in the always into mischief, as Jerry is." mittee that the net gain in membership,

> comes perfect." "Well, there's Louis Ray," said Gordon; "he doesn't care in the least days and read my books. Sometimes I

> might speak to him about it." you, Gordon? Do you always obey me has been in this county 40 years. She

cheerfully?" as Louis is."

that it would be better for you to reform Beauty is born in the blood. Beauty yourself in this respect before you undertook his reformation. You'd better choose some other boy to make bet

> "Howard Breen isn't a very good boy. laughing."

"Do you think that your attempts at reforming him would be successful if the stage from Muscongus to Waldoboro. you sat and laughed at his wrong-doing? You'd better begin on some one else."
"I can't think of any one else," said
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"You cannot think of a single person whom you could make better if you

tried? Gordon shook his head, and his mother

"Well I'll tell you the name of a how you can make better if you will, and he is the very boy the gentleman had in mind when he spoke to you this after oon. I feel quite sure of it."

"He didn't mention a single name, at least I heard none; but I didn't catch all that he said."

"I know the boy he had in mind for you to make better, all the same." "What's his name?" asked Gordon

quite eagerly. "Gordon Hawes."

"Why, mamma!" "He meant that if every person in the world would only make and keep himself good the whole world would be so much happier and better than it is." "I see," said Gordon, after a moment's

"We ought to try unceasingly to make one person better, Gordon, and that one person should be yourself in your case and myself in my case."-Sunday School

WHITTIER'S LITTLE DOG AND THE

A touching little incident of a birthday celebration of Whittier's, two or three years since, occurred in connection with the visit of Mrs. Julia Houston West, the celebrated oratorio singer, to the Quaker poet. Mrs. Sa'lie Joy White thus described it in the Wide Awake.

After dinner Mrs. West was asked to

sing, and seating herself at the piano, she began the beautiful ballad of "Rob in Adair," singing it as she can, with all the longing and heart-break of the words and music in her voice. She had hardly begun before Mr. Whittier's pet dog came into the room, and, seating himself by her side, watched her as if fascinated. and listened with a delight unusual in an animal. When she finished, he came and put his paw very gravely into her hand and licked her cheek.

"Robin takes that as a tribute to him self," said Mr. Whittier. "He also is 'Robin Adair.'"

It was true. That was the dog's name, and he evidently considered that he was the hero of the song. From that moment, during Mrs. West's visit, he was BUCKEYE COOKERY, her devoted attendant. He kept by her side when she was indoors, and accom panied her when she went out to walk. When she went away, he carried he satchel in his mouth to the gate, and saw her depart with every evidence of reluctance and distress.

Dear Boys and Girls: I will write abou

Christmas. Saturday, my father came home and brought me a new handsled, that was very pretty. We had our Christmas tree Saturday evening, and had a very lovely time. There was no snow and so much mud that Santa Claus couldn't get down the chimney, so he came by the way of Waterville, and he of Them All. piled all my things under the dining table. I will tell you a list of what had. I will commence with candy, nuts, popcorn; then I had a very cunning little pasteboard log cabin full of brownies, a little pear for a pincushion, a set of silver nutpicks, a box of dominoes, a pair of rubbers and shoes, a little work basket, a little box with a bottle of perfumers in it, a dish full of candy with a little dog lying on its cover, a little book; the name of it is, "Things Will Take a Turn." It is very nice. I have read it through to mother. I had lots of writing paper, some little envelopes and a very little pocket handkerchief. I think if Santa Claus brought all the children as much as he did me, he must have had a nice time getting round. To-day is the last girls to dinner Christmas, and we played in my play chamber. I had my table et and had a Christmas dinner for my dolls, and I also went to Gardiner with father. In the evening, I played dominoes with my new set. That evening father went away. I thought Edna Goodier's letter was very nice. I would like to see her letters in the paper often. Mother and I liked Edna's letter about the Plymouth Mother's first wash day.

for we had not heard of it before. Yours truly, BESSIE BENNETT.

Dear Young Folks: Papa is hauling lumber. I was out there yesterday, but to-day is so stormy I could not go to-day. Gordon blushed; but he was not an My school commenced the second day of the new year. The snow does drift and "Yes, I suppose I do make trouble for blow on the big hill in front of our house. spring time. I have a good time with "It might be better for you to select the other boys about my size. I have a some other boy, and say nothing to Jerry big sled and my brother has a little one It is only a half a mile up to the top of the hill. I shall be glad when my school begins again. I stay in the house stormy tends

And broader grows, like ripples in the lake, and never ends

And prover ends

A skin of beauty is a Joy Forever, go in grandma's room and she hears me, whether he minds his mother or not. I go in grandma's room and she hears me, cream or magical BEAUTIFIER. go in grandma's room and suc suc suc grandma Reynolds is 84 years old and I cheerfully?"

"Well, I'm nothing like as disobedient is Louis is."

"That may be true, and yet Louis ould have as perfect right to tell you at it would be better for you to the series of the series

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arm-for evil. "Do you think if Napoleon had been born a woman that he would have been risen. But the world would not have heard of him as it hears of him nowman great and kingly, with all his ins. He would have left one of those names that stain the leaf of every history, the names of women who, having power, but being denied the right to exercise it openly, rule in the dark men whose passions they feed on and by whom they climb.

'Power!" she said suddenly, smiting her little hand upon the rail. "Yes, we have power, and, since we are not to expend it in tunneling mountains no bealing diseases nor making laws no money nor on any extraneous object we expend it on you. You are our ds. our merchandise, our material for operating on. We buy you, we sell you, we make fools of you, we act the wily old Jew with you, we keep six of you crawling to our little feet and praying only for a touch of our little hand, and they say truly there was beart but a woman was at the bottom We are not to study law no selence nor art, so we study you. There is never a nerve or fiber in your man's nature but we know it. We keep six of you dancing in the paim of on the hand," she said, balancing her out stretched arm gracefully, as though tiny beings disported themselves in its "There-we throw you away, and you sink to the devil," she said. ling her arms composedly. "There was never a man who said one word but he said two for man and three for the whole human race." She watched the bird pecking up

the last yellow grains, but Waldo look-When she spoke again, it was very

"They bring weighty arguments against us when we ask for the perfect freedom of women," she said, "but when you come to the objections are like pumpkin devils with can-inside, hollow, and can't bite. They say that women do not wish for the sphere and freedom we ask for them and would not use it.

"If the bird does like its cage and does like its sugar and will not leave it, why keep the door so very carefully Why not open it, only a little? Do they know there is many a bird will not break its wings against the bars, but would fly if the doors were ?" She kult her forehead and leand farther over the bars.

"Then they say, 'If the women have the liberty you ask for, they will be itions for which they are not fitted!' If two men climb one ladder, did you ever see the weakest anywhere but at the foot? The surest sign of fitness is success. The weakest never wins but where there is handicapping. Nature left to herself will as beautifully apportion a man's work to his canneities as long ages ago she graduated the colors on the bird's reast If we are not fit, you give us to no purpose the right to labor. work will fall out of our hands into e that are wiser."

She talked more rapidly as she went on, as one talks of that over which one has brooded long and which lies near

Waldo watched her intently.

They say women have one great and noble work left them, and they do it ill. That is true. They do it execrably. It is the work that demands the adest culture, and they have not even the narrowest. The lawyer may no deeper than his lawbooks and may do their work well. But the woman who does woman's work needs a many sided, multiform culture. The heights and depths of human life must not be beyond the reach of her vision. She must have knowledge of men and things in many states, a wide catholicity of sympathy, the strength that springs from knowledge and the magnanimity that springs from strength. We bear the world, and we make it. The souls of little children are markeep forever the shadow that first falls on them, and that is the mother's, or. at best, a woman's. There was never a great man who had not a great moth-. It is hardly an exaggeration. The first six years of our life make us. All that is added later is veneer. And yet some say if a woman can cook a dinner or dress herself well she has culture enough.

"The mightlest and noblest of human work is given to us, and we do it ill. Send a navvy to work into an artist's studio and see what you will find there! And yet, thank God, we have s work," she added quickly. "It is the one window through which we see to the great world of earnest labor. The meanest girl who dances and dresses becomes something higher it round critically. Waldo bent over when her children look up into ber and ask her questions. It is the only education we have and which it," he said earnestly, putting a finger they cannot take from us."

we complain of woman's being comled to look upon marriage as a profession, but that she is free to enter upon it or leave it, as she pleases.

Yes, and a cat set affoat in a pond is free to sit in the tub till it dies there. It is under no obligation to wet its And a drowning man may eatch | matter. at a straw or not, just as he likes. It

is a glorious liberty? Let any man think for five minutes of what old maiden good means to a woman, and then let him be silent. Is it easy to bear throughout life a name that in itself signifies defeat—to dwell, as nine out of ten unmarried women must, under the finger of another woman? Is it easy to look forward to an old age without honor, without the reward of useful labor, without love? I wonder how many men there are who would give up everything that is dear in life for may let it run free and do its work, the sake of maintaining a high ideal purity." She laughed a little laugh that was

clear without being pleasant. "And then, when they have no other argubeen stolen away a child and reared in ment against us, they say: 'Go on, but when you have made woman what you wish and her children inherit her culture you will defeat yourself. Man will gradually become extinct from ex cess of intellect. The passions which replenish tl race will die.' Fools! e said, curling her pretty lip. Hottentot sits at the roadside and feeds on a rotten bone he has found there and takes out his bottle of Cape smoke and swills at it and grunts with satisfaction, and the cultured child of the nineteenth century sits in his arm chair and sips choice wines with the contented to give small tea parties and talk small scandal? He would have cate dishes with a delicate palate and with a satisfaction of which the Hottentot knows nothing. Heavy law and sloping forehead, all have gone with Increasing intellect, but the anima! appetites are there still, refined, discrin native, but immeasurably intensified Fools! Before men forgave or wor shiped, while they were still weak on covertly and by stealth, through the their hind legs, did they not eat and drink and fight for wives? When all the latter additions to humanity have vanished, will not the foundation on

which they are built remain?"

She was silent then for awhile and said somewhat dreamily, more a though speaking to herself than to him: "They ask: What will you gain. ever if man does not become extinct? You will have brought justice and equality on the earth and sent love from it When men and women are equals, they will love no more. Your highly cultured women will not be lovable, wil not love.

nothing? It is Tant' Sannie who buries husbands one after another and fold her hands resignedly-'The Lord gave and the Lord bath taken away, and blessed be the name of the Lord'-and she looks for another. It is the hard headed deep thinker who when the wife who has thought and worked with him goes, can find no rest and lingers near her till he finds sleep beside her. "A great soul draws and is drawn

with a more flerce intensity than any small one. By every inch we grow it intellectual height our love strikes down its roots deeper and spreads out its arms wider. It is for love's sak yet more than for any other that we look for that new time." She had leaned her head against the stone and watched with her sad, soft eye the retreating bird. "Then when tha time comes," she said slowly. love is no more bought or sold, when It is not a means of making bread when each woman's life is filled with earnest, independent labor, then love will come to her, a strange sudden sweetness breaking in upon her earnes work, not sought for, but found. Then

but not now"-Waldo waited for her to finish the sentence, but she seemed to have for gotten him.
"Lyndali," he said, putting his hand

upon her (she started). "if you think that that new time will be so great, so good, you who speak so easily" She interrupted him.

"Speak, speak!" she said. "The dif ficulty is not to speak. The difficulty is to keep silence.'

"But why do you not try to bring that time?" he said, with pitiful sim-plicity. "When you speak, I believe all you say. Other people would listen to you also.'

"I am not so sure of that," she said. with a smile.

Then over the small face came the weary look it had worn last night as it watched the shadow in the corner-ah so weary!

"I, Waldo, 1?" she said. "I will do nothing good for myself, nothing for the world, till some one wakes me. I asleep, swathed, shut up in Till I have been delivered I will deliver

He looked at her, wondering, but she

vas not looking at him "To see the good and the beautiful," she said, "and to have no strength to live it is only to be Moses on the mountain of Nebo, with the land at you feet and no power to enter. It would be better not to see it. Come," said, looking up into his face and see the chemist see no farther than the ing its uncomprehending expression, windows of his laboratory, and they "let us go. It is getting late. Doss is anxious for his breakfast also," she added, wheeling round and calling to the dog, who was endeavoring to un earth a mole, an occupation to which he had been zealously addicted from the third month, but in which he had never on any single occasion proved

successful. Waldo shouldered his bag, and Lyn dall walked on before in silence, with the dog close at her side. Perhans she thought of the narrowness of the lim velously delicate and tender things and its within which a human soul may speak and be understood by its nearest of mental kin, of how soon it reaches that solitary land of the individual experience in which no fellow footfall is ever heard. Whatever her thought may have been, she was soon inter rupted. Waldo came close to ber and standing still, produced with awk-wardness from his breast pocket a

small carved box. "I made it for you," he said, holding It out.

"I like it," she said, examining it carefully. The workmanship was better than that of the grave post. The flowers

that covered it were delicate, and here and there small conical protuberances were let in among them. She turne it lovingly.

"There is one strange thing about on one little pyramid. She smiled slightly. "They say that without these, and I felt something was wrong. I tried many changes and at last I let these in, and then it was right. But why was it? They are

not beautiful in themselves." "They relieve the monotony of the smooth leaves, I suppose.

He shook his head as over a weighty "The sky is menetoneng," he said,

"What a difference the suffering at in time of childbirth when Dr. R. V. Pierce's medicines are used," writes Mrs. Edmon Jacobs, of Bargersville, Johnson County, Ind. "I had not heard of Dr. Pierce's medicines three years ago when I was confined, so had to suffer almost death. Before baby was born I could not be on my feet without two persons holding me.



nine and three-quarter pounds, and for some weeks after his birth I suffered severe pain. Last fall, following the advice of a neigh-bor, my husband bought me Doctor Pierce's Favorite Preseription which I took dur-ing the winter, and in March, 1898, I gave birth to a baby boy weighing ten and three-quarter pounds.

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Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, also his 'Pleasant Pellets' if necessary."

"Following the advice of a neighbor."
What a weight of confirmatory evidence there is in those six words. The neighbor had tried the "Favorite Prescription" and recommended it. Mrs. Jacobs has also tried it and proved its wonderful properties and now she recommends it. Beside such testimony as this its maker's words are unimportant. Mrs. Jacobs' experience is a fact. Her neighbor's experience is a fact. The written experiences of 250,000 other women are facts. There is no theory about it. There can be no question about it. In every neighborhood in this broad land there are women who have been cured by the "Favorite Prescription." It has cured more cases of female complaint than all other medicines for women combined. It is the only medicine of its kind invented by other medicines for women combined. It is the only medicine of its kind invented by a skilled specialist in medicine—a regularly graduated physician of more than thirty years' actual experience.

when it is biue, and vet it is beautiful. I have thought of that often. But it is not monotony and it is not variety makes beauty. What is it? The sky and your face and this boxthe same thing is in them all, only more in the sky and in your face. But what is it?

She smiled. "So you are at your old work still. Why, why, why? What is the reason? It is enough for me," she said, "if I find out what is beautiful and what is ugly, what is real and what is not.
Why it is there and over the final cause of things in general I don't trouble my-There must be one, but what is self. It to me? If I howl to all eternity, shall never get hold of it, and if I did I might be no better off. But you Germans are born with an appetite for burrowing. You can't help yourselves. You must sniff after reasons, just as that dog must after a mole. He knows perfectly well he will never catch it, but he's under the imperative necessity of digging for it.'

"But be might find it." "Might! But he never has and never Life is too short to run after mights. We must have certainties." She tucked the box under her arm and was about to walk on when Gregory Rose, with shining spurs, an or trich feather in his hat and a silver headed whip, careered past. He bow ed gallantly as he went by. They waited till the dust of the borse's boofs had laid.

woman, one born for the sphere that some women have to fill without being born for it. How banny he would sewing frills into his little girl's frocks, and how pretty he would look sitting in a parlor, with a rough man making love to him! Don't you think

"I shall not stay here when he is master," Waldo answered, not able to connect any kind of beauty with Greg-

ory Rose. "I should imagine not. The rule of

a woman is tyranny, but the rule of a man woman grinds fine. Where are you going?"

"What to do?"

"See-see everything." "You will be disappointed." · vaction

"And were you?" "Yes, and you will be more so. I want some things that men and the world give. You do not. If you have a few yards of earth to stand on and a bit of blue over you and something that you cannot see to dream about. you have all that you need, all that you know how to use. But I like to see real men. Let them be as disagre able as they please, they are more interesting to me than dowers or trees or stars or any other thing under the Sometimes," she added walking on and shaking the dust daintily from her skirts, "when I am not too busy trying to find a new way of doing my hair that will show my little neck to better advantage or over other work of that kind-sometimes it amuses me intensely to trace out the resemblance between one man and another, to see Bonaparte, St. Simon on his pillar and the emperor dining off larks' tongues are one and the same compound, merely mixed in different proportions. What is microscopic in one is largely developed in another, what is a rudimentary in one man is an active organ in another, but all things are in all men. and one soul is the model of all. We shall find nothing new in human nature after we have once carefully dis-

ever shall truly know-ourself. my arm in bed this morning. I felt displeased, but said nothing. Tant' Sannie would have thrown the saucer at her and sworn for an hour, but the feeling would be the same irritated displeasure. If a huge animated stomglass by a skillful mental microscopist, ven he would be found to have an en bryonic doubling somewhere indica tive of a heart and rudimentary buddings that might have become conscience and sincerity. Let me take your arm, Waldo. How full you are of mealie dust! No; never mind. It will brush off. And sometimes what is nore amusing still than tracing the likeness between man and man is to trace the analogy there always is between the progress and development of one individual and of a whole nation or, again, between a single nation and the entire human race. It is pleasant just the other written out in large letters and very odd to find all the little follies and virtues and developments and retrogressions written out in the big world's book that you find in your little internal self. It is the most being a woman, I have not often time for such amusements. Professional duties always first, you know. It takes a great deal of time and thought always to look perfectly exquisite, even for a pretty woman. Is the old buggy still in existence. Waldo?"

"Yes, but the harness is broken."
"Well, I wish you would mend it You must teach me to drive. I must learn something while I am here. I got the Hottentot girl to show me how to make 'sarsarties' this morning and Tant' Sannie is going to teach me to make 'kapjes.' I will come and sit with you this afternoon while you mend the harness."

"No; don't thank me. I come for my own pleasure. I never find any one l can talk to. Women bore me, and men talk so to-'Going to the ball this evening? Nice little dog that of yours. little ears. So fond of pointer ups!" And they think me fascinating. charming! Men are like the earth, and we are the moon. We turn always one side to them, and they think there is no other because they don't see it

They had reached the house now "Tell me when you set to work," she said and walked toward the door.

Waldo stood to look after her, and Doss stood at his side, a look of pain-'ul uncertainty depicted on his small countenance and one-little foot poised in the air. Should he stay with his master or go? He looked at the figure wide straw hat moving toward the house, and he looked up at his master. Then he put down the little paw and went. Waldo watched both in at the door and then walked away alone. He was satisfied that at least his dog was with her.

TANT' SANNIE HOLDS AN UPSITTING, AND

GREGORY WRITES A LETTER. It was just after sunset and Lyndall had not yet returned from her first driving lesson when the lean colored woman, standing at the corner of the ouse to enjoy the evening breeze, saw coming along the road a strange horseman. Very narrowly she surveyed him as he slowly approached. He was attired in the deepest mourning, the black crape round his tall hat totally concealing the black felt and nothing but a dazzling shirt frout relieving the funereal tone of his attire. He rode much forward in his saddle, with his chin resting on the uppermost of his shirt studs, and there was an air of neek subjection to the will of heaven and to what might be in store for him that bespoke itself even in the way in which he gently urged his steed. He was evidently in no burry to reach his destination, for the nearer he ap-proached to it the slacker did his bridle hang. The colored woman, having duly inspected him, dashed into the dwelling.

"Here is another one." she cried. vidower. I see it by his hat." "Good Lord!" said Tant' Sannie. "It's the seventh I've had this month. But the men know where sheep and good ooks and money in the bank are to be

found," she added, winking knowingly. "How does he look?" "Nineteen, weak eyes, white hair, little round pose," said the maid. "Then it's he, then it's he," said

Tant' Sannie, triumphantly, "Little Piet Vander Walt, whose wife died last month-two farms, 12,000 sheep. I've not seen him, but my sister-in-law told me about him, and I dreamed about him last night." Here Piet's black hat appeared in the doorway, and the Boer woman drew

nerself up in dignified silence, extended the tips of her fingers and motioned solemnly to a chair. The young man seated himself, sticking his feet as far under it as they would go, and said mildly: "I am Little Piet Vander Walt, and

my father is Big Plet Vander Walt. Tant' Sannie said solemnly. "Yes." "Aunt," said the young man, start

ing up spasmodically, "can I off sad "Yes.

He seized his hat and disappeare

with a rush through the door. "I told you so! I knew it!" said Tant' Sannie. "The dear Lord doesn't send dreams for nothing. Didn't I tell you this morning that I dreamed of a great beast like a sheep, with red eyes, and I killed it? Wasn't the white wool his hair, and the red eyes his weak eyes, and my killing him meant marriage? Get supper ready quickly. The sheep's inside and roaster cakes. W

shall sit up tonight." To young Piet Vander Walt that supper was a period of intense torture. There was something overawing in that assembly of English people, with their incomprehensible speech and, moreover, it was his first courtship His first wife had courted him, and ten months of severe domestic rule had not raised his spirit or courage. He how Tant' Sannie and I, you and ate little and when he raised a morse! to his lips glanced guiltily round to see if he were not observed. He had put three rings on his little finger, with the intention of sticking it out stiffly when he raised a coffee cup. Now the little finger was curled miserably among its fellows. It was small relief when the meal was over and Tant' Sannie and things then, and the maids waste such he repaired to the front room. Once seated there, he set his knees close together, stood his black hat upon them sected and analyzed the one being we and wretchedly turned the brim up and down. But supper had cheered Tant' "The Kaffir girl threw some coffee on Sannie, who found it impossible longer to maintain that decorous silence and whose heart yearned over the youth.

"I was related to your Aunt Selena who died," said Taut' Sannie. "My mother's stepbrother's child was married to her father's brother's step-

nephew's niece." knew we were related."
"It was her cousin," said Tant' San-

nie, now fairly on the flow, "who had the cancer cut out of her breast by the other doctor, who was not the doctor they sent for, but who did it quite as well."
"Yes, aunt." said the young man.

"I've heard about it often," said and a Tant' Sannie. "And he was the son of chin. the old doctor that they say died on Christmas day, but I don't know if that's true. People do tell such awful lies. Why should he die on Christmas day more than any other day?"

asked Tant' Sannie.

son of the old doctor that died on Christmas day, the other that didn't come when he was sent for-he gave such good stuff for the toothache that if you opened the bottle in the room where any one was bad they got better directly. You could see it was good stuff," said Tant' Sannie. "It tasted farmhouse. Gregory never stirred till horrid. That was a real doctor! He it had vanished. Then, finding the horrid. That was a real doctor! He used to give a bottle so high," said the Boer woman, raising her hand a foot from the table. "You could drink at it for a month and it wouldn't get done, and the same medicine wa good for all sorts of sicknesses-croup, sles, jaundice, dropsy. Now you have to buy a new kind for each sickness. The doctors aren't so good as they nsed to be."

"No. aunt," said the young man, who He did so at last Tant' Sannie had noticed the spurs

before, but she thought it showed a nice, manly spirit, and her heart warmed yet more to the youth. "Did you ever have convulsions when

you were a baby?" asked Tant' San "Yes." said the young man.

"Strange." said Tant Sannie. "I had convulsions too. Wonderful that we should be so much alike." "Aunt," said the young man expl-

sively, "can we sit up tonight?" Tant' Sannie hung her head and half closed her eyes; but, finding that her little wiles were thrown away, the young man staring fixedly at his hat, she simpered, "Yes," and went away to fetch candles.

In the dining room Em worked at her machine, and Gregory sat close beside her, his great blue eyes turned to the window where Lyndall leaned out talking to Waldo.

"He's asked for them," she said.

up country life.
"No," said Tant' Sannie indignantly

off in triumph with the candles. Nevertheless, when all the rest of the house had retired, when the long candle was lighted, when the coffee kettle was filled, when she sat in the elbow chair, with her lover on a chair clos beside her, and when the vigit of the night was fairly begun, she began to The young man find it wearisome.

"No, thank you, aunt," said the young man, and both lapsed into si-

At last Tant' Sannie, afraid of going o sleep, tapped a strong cup of coffee for herself and handed another to ber lover. This visibly revived both.
"How long were you married, cous

"Ten months, aunt." "How old was your baby?"

"Very," said the young man. "but it's the Lord's will." "Yes." said Tant' Sannie and sighed. "She was such a good wife, aunt.

over a maid's head for only letting dus Tant' Sannie felt a twinge of jeal-

stick or a maid's head. "I hope your wife made a good end." she said.

ore she died." "Did she feave any messages?" asked Tant' Sannie.

"No," said the young man; "but the

'Piet,' she said.

wagon box,' she said.

ry a fat woman. "I will.' I said and I went to sleen

"The baby has been here again, and

of the wedding. woke me. "'The baby has been here again,' she said, 'and it says you mustn't marry a wouldn't, and the next day she died.' "That was a vision from the Re-

The young man nodded his head mournfully. He thought of a younger dister of his wife's who was not fat and who had a mole and of whom his said Gregory. "One would think the wife had always been jealous, and he wished the little haby had liked better staying in heaven than coming and

standing over the wagon chest. "I suppose that's why you came to me?" said Tant' Sannie. "Yes, aunt. And pa said I ought to get married before shearing time. It s bad if there's no one to see after

"When do you want to get married? "Next month, aunt," said the young man in a tone of hopeless resignation. "May I kiss you, aunt?"

gave him a resounding kiss. "Come, draw your chair a little closer," she said, and, their elbows now touching, they sat on through the night. The next morning at dawn, as Em passed through Tant' Sannie's bed-

ing into bed. "Where is Piet Vander Walt?" I am going to marry him this day four weeks. I am dead sleepy," she added "The stupid thing doesn't know how to talk love talk at all." And she

On the day preceding Tant' Sannie's wedding Gregory Rose sat in the blaz ing sun on the stone wall behind blo daub and wattle house. It was warm but he was intently watching a small hugey that was being recklessly driver: stones hot, he slipped down and walk pail that lay in the doorway and sent it into one corner. That did him good Then he sat down on the box and be gan cutting letters out of a piece of newspaper. Finding that the spip pings littered the floor, he picked them up and began scribbling on his blotting paper. He tried the effect of differen initials before the name Rose-G. Rose was trying to gain courage to stick out E. Rose, L. Rose, L. Rose, L. L. L. L. his legs and clink his spurs together. Rose. When he had covered the sheet Rose. When he had covered the sheet. he looked at it discontentedly a little while, then suddenly began to write a letter:

Beloved Sister-It is a long while since I la he first morning I have been at home since ion't know when. Em always expects me to idn't feel as though I could stand the ride to

Tant' Sannie took two candles out of the cupboard and held them up tri-umphantly, winking all round the

"Does he want them for his horse's rabbed back?" asked Gregory, new to

"we're going to sit up!" and she walked

looked chilly and said nothing. "Won't you put your feet on my

"Three days when it died." "It's very hard when we must give our husbands and wives to the Lord. sald Tant' Sannie.

've known her break a churn stick

come on a milk cloth." ousy. She had never broken a churn

"Oh, beautiful, aunt! She said up ! psalm and two hymns and a half be-

night before she died I was lying at the foot of her bed. I felt her foot kick

"'Annie, my beart,' said I. "'My little baby that died yesterday as been here, and it stood over the

"'What did it say? I asked. "'It said that if I died you must mar-

again. Presently she woke me. it says you must marry a woman over 30 and who's had two husbands.' "I didn't go to sleep after that for long time, aunt; but when I did she

deemer." said Tant' Sannie.

"Fy. fy!" said Tant' Sannie and then

oom, she found the Boer woman pull-"Yes, aunt," said the young man, "I ling off her boots preparatory to climb-

> last be touched her arm. "Just gone," said Tant' Sannie, "and climbed into the four poster, clothes often," said and all, and drew the quilt up to her

> > GRAIN-O! GRAIN-O!

"Yes, aunt. why?" said the young nan meekly.

"Did you ever have the toothache?" sked Tant' Sannis.

"No, aunt."

"Well, they say that doctor—pot the

school before.

They are going to have a grand affair tomorrow. All the Boers about are coming, and they are going to dance all night, but I don't think I shall dance at all, for, as Em's cousin says, these Boer dances are low things. I am sure I only danced at the last to please Em. I don't know why she is fond of dancing. Em taiked of our being married on the same day as Tant' Sansie, but I said it would be nicer for her if she waited till the shearing was over and I took her mie, but I said it would be nicer for her if she waited till the shearing was over and I took her down to see you. I suppose she will have to live with us—Em's cousin, I mean—as she has not anything in the world but a poor £20. I don't like her at all, Jemima, and I don't think you would. She's got such queer ways. She's always driving about in a gig with that low German, and I don't think it's at all the thing for a woman to be going about with a man she's not engaged to, do you'l if it was me, sow, of course, who am a kind of connection, it would be different. The way she treats me, considering that I am me a soon to be reat see. considering that I am me a soon to be treats me, considering that I am so soon her cousin, is not at all nice. I took dow album the other day with your likenesses in it and I told her size could look at it and put it down close to her, but she just said, "Thank you,

She gets the wildest horses in that buggy and a horrid snappish little cur belonging to the German sitting in front, and then she drives out alone. I don't think it's at all proper for a woman to drive out alone. I wouldn't allow it if she was my sister. The other morning—I don't know how it happened—I was going in the way from which ahe was coming, and that little beast—they call him Doss—began to bark when he saw me—be always does, the little wretch—and the borses began to spring and kicked the splash board all to pieces. If was a sight to see, Jemima! She has got the littlest hands I ever saw. I could hold them both in one of mine and not know that I'd got anything, except that they were so soft, but she held those horses in as though they were made of iron. When I that they were so sort, but she held those horses in as though they were made of iron. When I wanted to help her, she said: "No, thank you; I can manage them myself. I've got a pair of bits that would broak their jaws if I used them well," and she laughed and drove away. It's so un-

womanly.

Tell father my hire of the ground will not be out for six months, and before that Em and I will be married. My pair of birds is breeding now, but I naven't been down to see them for three days. I don't seem to care about anything any more. I don't know what it is; I'm not well. If I go into town on Saturday, I will let the doctor examine me. But perhaps she'll go in the doctor examine me. But perhaps she'll go in the doctor examine thing, Iemina, but she never will send her letters to the property of if I ask her, she has none, and the very next d she goes in and posts them herself. You must be Jemima, but twice I she goes in and posts them herself. You mustn't say anything about it, Jemima, but twice I've brought ber letters from the post in a gentleman's hand, are i'm sure they were both from the same person, because I noticed every little mark, even the dotting of the i'a. Of course it's nothing to me, but for Em's sake I can't help feeling an interest in her, showever much I may disilike her myself, and I hope she's up to nothing. I pity the man who marries her. I wouldn't be him for anything. If I had a wife with pride, I'd make her give it up, sharp. I don't believe in a man who can't make a woman obey him. Now Em-I'm very fond of her, as you knowbut if I tell ber to put on a certain dress, that dress she puts on; and if I tell her to sit on a certain seat, on that seat she aits; and if I tell but if I tell ber to put on a certain uress, and dress she puts on; and if I tell her to sit on a certain seat, on that seat she sits; and if I tell her not to speak to a certain individual she does not speak to him. If a man lets a woman do what he doesn't like, he's a muff.

Give my love to mother and the children. The "weld" here is looking pretty good, and the sheep are better since we washed them. Tell father the

dip he recommended is very good.

Em sends her love to you. She is making me some woolen shirts, but they don't fit me so nicely as those mother made me. Write soon to our loving brother. GREGORY.

P. S.—She drove past just now. 1 was sitting a the kraal wall right before her eyes, and she seer even bowed.

G. N. R.

CHAPTER XIX.

A BOER WEDDING. "I didn't know before you were so his little betrothed They were cantering slowly on the road to Oom Muller's on the morning

"Do you call this riding hard?" asked Em in some astonishment. "Of course I do. It's enough to break the horses' necks and knock one up for the whole day besides," he added testily, then twisted his head to look at the buggy that came on behind. "I thought Waldo was such a mad driver. They are taking it easily enough today."

black stallions were lame." "I suppose they want to keep out of

Perceiving this to be the case, Gregory rode on. "It's all that borse of yours. She kicks up such a confounded dust I can't stand it myself," he said. Meanwhile the cart came on slowly

"Take the reins," said Lyndall, "and make them walk. I want to rest and watch their hoofs today-not to be exhilarated. I amoso tired." She leaned back in her corner, and

Waldo drove on slowly in the gray dawn light along the level road. They passed the very milk bush behind which so many years before the old German had found the Kaffir woman. But their thoughts were not with him pleasure of the day begins. that morning. They were the thoughts of the young, that run out to meet the future and labor in the present. At

"I feared you had gone to sleep and might be joited out," he said. "You sat so quietly." "No; do not talk to me. I am not asleep." But after a time she said sud-

"What is it?"

denly, "It must be a terrible thing to bring a human being into the world." Waldo looked round; she sat drawn nto the corner, her blue cloud wound tightly about her, and she still watched the horses' feet. Having no comment to offer on her somewhat unexpected remark, he merely touched up

"I have no conscience, none," she added. "But I would not like to bring a soul into this world. When it sinned and when it suffered, something like a dead hand would fall on me: You did: lt, you; for your own pleasure you created this thing! See your work!" If it lived to be 80, it would always hang like a milistone round my neck, have the right to demand good from me and curse me for its sorrow. A parent is only like to God—if his work turns out bad, so much the worse for him; he dare not wash his hands of it. Time and years can never bring the day when you can say to your child, 'Soul, what have I to do with you?" Waldo said dreamily:

"It is a marvelous thing that one soul should have power to cause another She heard the words as she heard the beating of the horses' hoofs; her thoughts ran on in their own line. "They say, 'God sends the little ha

bles.' Of all the dastardly revolting lies men tell to suit themselves, I bate that most. I suppose my father said so when he knew he was dying of consumption, and my mother when she knew she had nothing to support me on, and they created me to feed like a dog from stranger hands. Men do not say God sends the books or the news. paper 'articles or the machines they make, and then sigh and shrug their shoulders and say they can't help it Why do they say so about other things? Liars: 'God sends the little bables!" fully against the splash board.

"The small children say so earnestly They touch the little stranger rever ently who has just come from God's far country, and they peep about the room to see if not one white feather has dropped from the wing of the angel that brought him. On their lips the phrase means much; on all others. t is a deliberate lie. Noticeable, too. she said, dropping in an instant from the passionate into a low, mocking tone, "when people are married, though they should have 60 children, they throw the whole onus on God. When they are not, we hear nothing about God's having sent them. When there has been no legal contract between the parents, who sends the little children then? The devit, perhaps!" She laughed her little silvery, mocking laugh. 'Odd that some men should come from bell and some from heaven and yet all look so much alike when they get

Waldo wondered at her. He had not

the key to her thoughts and did not see

the string on which they were strung. She drew her cloud tighter about her "It must be very nice to believe in the devil," she said. "I wish I did. If It would be of any use, I would pray three bours night and morning on my bare knees, 'God, let me believe in satan.' He is so useful to those people who do. They may be as selfish and as sensual as they please and, be tween God's will and the devil's ac-

tion, always have some one to throw their sin on. But we, wretched unbelievers, we bear our own burdens. We must say: 'I myself did it, I. Not God. not satan; I myself? That is the sting that strikes deep. Waldo," she said gently, with a sudden and complete change of manner, "I like you so much I love you." She rested her cheek soft ly against his shoulder. "When I am with you, I never know that I am a woman and you are a man. I only know that we are both things that think. Other men, when I am with them, wnether I love them or not, they are mere bodies to me, but you are a I like you. quickly, sinking back into her corner what a pretty pinkness there is on all

Waldo lifted his eyes to look round over the circle of golden bills, and the horses as the first sunbonny touched them, shook their heads and champed their bright bits till the brass settings

the billtops! The sun will rise in a

in their harness glittered again. It was 8 o'clock when they peared the farmhouse, a red brick building, with kraals to the right and a small orchard to the left. Already there were signs of unusual life and bustle. One cart, a wagon and a couple of saddles against the wall betokened the arrival of a few early guests, whose numbers would soon be largely increased. To a Dutch country wedding guesta start up in numbers astonishing to one who has merely ridden through the plains

of sparsely inhabited "karroo."

As the morning advances riders on many shades of steeds appear from all directions and add their saddles to fond of riding hard," said Gregory to the long rows against the walls, shake hands, drink coffee and stand about outside in groups to watch the arriving carts and ox wagons as they are unburdened of their heavy freight of massive Tantes and comely daughters. followed by swarms of children of all sizes, dressed in all manner of print and moleskin, who are taken care of by Hottentot, Kaffir and half caste nurses, whose many shaded complex ions, ranging from light reliow up to ebony black, add variety to the mated scene. Everywhere are excite ment and bustle, which gradually in crease as the time for the return of the wedding party approaches. Prep the dust," said Em. "See; they stand still as soon as we do." arations for the feast are actively advancing in the kitchen; coffee is liberally handed round, and amid a pro found sensation and the firing of the horse wagon draws up, and the wedding party alight. Bride and bride groom, with their attendants, march solemnly to the marriage chamber where bed and box are decked out in cial flowers and where on a row of chairs the party solemnly seat selves. After a time bridesmaid and ceremony each individual guest to wish success and to kiss bride and bride groom. Then the feast is set on the table, and it is almost sunset before the dishes are cleared away and the

(Continued next week.)

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A guest with an irascible temper at a hotel in a New England town, found that the dinner was not to his liking and he had no hesitancy in telling the waiter so. Finally he threw down his knife and

fork. "Well," he exclaimed, "there's no use in talking, I can't eat this stuff."
"I'm sorry, sir," responded the waiter,
"but you might as well, for you'll have
to pay for it anyhow."—Exchange.

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ment made upon the fourth page regarding the Maine Farmer.

Home Department.

EVERY

MOTHER

IT IS VERY COMPORTIN.

Will be interested

in the announce-

It is very comfortin When your hair is gettin thin and the crow feet in your eyes have come

Just to feel her little I and Smoothin back each silver strand While you meet her lovin look and hear her "My dear, it seems as though

Every year you live you grow Handsomer than in the olden day;" Then you look up at your wife, And you think in all your life You never heard a sweeter word of praise. But the teardrops will arise To your dim old fadin eyes

and you kiss the gentle hand still white and While you try to tell her how You loved her then—love her now, But bless me if the words will come at all; For just then there comes to you The trials she's gone through rne without a murmur for your sake You can only bow your head At the loving things she's said, While your poor old heart will only ache and

But she knows what ails you then. And she kisses you again, While you hear her gently whisper, swee

"Life has brought more hopes than fears We have known more smiles than tears nd the years seem ever brighter as they go. Yes, 'tis comfortin, you know, When your step is gettin slow

And you're slidin down life's hill a-mighty Just to feel her little hand

Smoothin back each silver strand While she tells you that she'll love you to -Los Angeles Herald.

OUR OPPORTUNITIES AND INFLUENCE.

[Address delivered at Androscoggin Po-nona, Wales, by Mrs. Annie L. Gray, Read-We are standing on the threshold of new era. As we read the papers and m magazines from day to day, and from you week to week, we find that here and hi there, all over our land, the people seem an to be awakening to a knowledge of the at power they possess; and in view of the st fact that our order is steadily increasing ch in membership, it behooves us to look at about and see what we, the Patrons of th Maine, can do to aid in wielding that i power in a wise and noble manner. In in his annual address to the State grange, de last December. Worthy State Master ti-Gardner said: "We are second only to the Empire state in number of members and in average number per grange, we exceed them fifty per cent." He also said that he was satisfied, by observation, that our membership is as truly representative of the agricultural in- sa

terests of the country as any state in Po the Union. This is a grand record, but the oppor-

tunity is ours to make it still more grand and poble. "There are men and women all over the world Whom Maine is proud to own,
But demand for the good still exceeds the

supply, And experience surely has shown That a standing army's a good thing to have, That in emergency's plight, We be ready for action at word of command,

To defend either country or right,

Brothers and sisters, it is for us, if we th

will, to belong to the rank and file of this se

standing army, to so dignify our noble order that it shall be enough to know the of a person's worth to know that he or ch she is a member of the grange, and that la it shall be understood that the Patrons will stand together and work shoulder to shoulder for the greatest good of all. Some months ago, a public official of one of our western cities made this statement of his belief, in writing, to a Chicago paper: "I know that the republic cannot endure, and that our mock Christianity must perish from the face of the earth, unless those of us who claim to be both patriotic and Christian are able to demonstrate, by the sacrifice

what God designed it should be, "a haven gl for the oppressed of all the earth. Brothers and sisters, have we all recognized the fact that selfishness, in one of form or another, in one person or an- ga other, lies at the bottom of pearly every

of service, that our claims are well

founded, by redeeming our beloved

country from the cruel grasp of selfish

greed that would destroy, and making it

crime that is committed? We, the people of this country, are a selfish people. It is bred in us, if not born in us; and it shows itself all through life, from the child who goes early to no school on the first day of the term in order to get the coveted seat, to the millionaires who compel us to pay interest on watered stock, and grind from the on watered stock, and grind from the poor to enrich their own coffers. In cur own families, we may be ready to sacrifice for those we love, but it comes harder to work for the greatest good of all.

# **BEST FOR THE** BOWELS





#### Grange News.

Maine State Grange State Master, OBADIAH GARDNER, Rockland. State Overseer, F. S. ADAMS, Bowdoin. ELIJAH COOK, Vassalboro E. H. Libby, Auburn, Dirigo P. O utive Com OBADIAH GARDNER, Rockland. E. H. Libby. Auburn Hon. B. F. Briggs, Auburn. L. W. Jose, Dexter D. O. BOWEN, Morrill. YDEN BEARCE. East Eddington

Master's Appointments. Jan. 11-Norridgewock Grange, Norridge rock.
Jan. 12—Wesserunsett Grange, Cornville.
Jan. 13—East Madison Grange, Madison.
Jan 16—Vassalboro Grange, Vassalboro.
Jan. 17—Cushnoc Grange, Vassalboro
Jan. 18—Executive Committee Meeting, Au usta. Jan. 20—Fryeburg Grange, Fryeburg. Jan. 23—Northern Star Grange, Woodland Grange Gatherings.

New Hampshire made a net gain last

year of 1,610 leading Maine by about 200. Read the very interesting letter from in California.

Excelsior Pomona grange, No. 4, P. of H., holds a special meeting with North Jay grange, Thursday, Jan. 18, at 10

Our table is full of valuable grange news which must wait another issue. Thanks are due the many friends of the Farmer for assistance in sending in in teresting grange matter.

to fifty thousand dollars a year. With such an officer there will be no more paying of appropriations in lump sums to de-

The influence of the New Hampshir State grange has been the potent factor in reducing the state expenses one hundred dollars yet there are members of the order in Maine who are terribly afraid the grange will discuss question of public policy.

The officers of Victor grange were in stalled Saturday evening, Jan. 6, by Mrs. A. G. Bowman, who, in a very pleasan voice, and in her own inimitable manne gave the address and installed every offieer without the use of the ritual. She deserved, and received, much praise.

The election of W. S. Rogers, Cathance as secretary of the Patrons' Fire Insucceeds Bro. Jackson as treasurer, Bro. list of officers is as follows: Jackson declining to serve another year.

Knox county Pomona grange, Satur day, Jan. 13. Meeting with Medomak Valley grange, No. 175, at Appleton 1.30 P. M., address of welcome, Mrs. H F. Lucas; response, E. E. Light; song, E. S. Stearns; reports of delegates; ad dress, Worthy Master; music; recitation F. S. Philbrick; report of state grange, Worthy Lecturer; questions and remarks; question, "What is the duty of the grange in securing the extension of rural mail delivery; music; question, "When does the 20th century begin?" Work of the degree.

Bear Mountain grange, No. 62, by invi tation, met with Albany grange, Jan. 6. Installation of officers was the order of the day, Worthy Master C. S. Hamlin of Bear Mountain grange installing officer, isted by Bro. and Sister Melville Mon roe of Bear Mountain grange. Round Mountain grange numbers only 42 mem bers but is a live grange all the same, no drones in the hive. Every one seeme to have some part assigned them and gave us a fine entertainment. One candi date received the 3d and 4th degree which were finely conferred. Ninetee from Bear Mountain responded to the invitation. A most excellent dinner wa served. If you want to be treated wit sourtesy and spend a day long to be re membered visit Round Mountain grange No. 162, if you are lucky enough to ge

Readfield grange installs officers an has a good time in general. The officer elect of Readfield grange were duly and impressively installed last Saturday by Past Master A. S. Nickerson of Readfield assisted by Bro. W. S. Weeks of Cushno grange, and Mrs. Hattie Wood of Read field. Hon. D. H. Thing, state deputy, presided. A large number of visitor were present from Starling and Winthrop granges. The first and second degree were conferred in the forenoon upon two candidates. A nice easy chair had bee purchased by the grange for the use of Bro. Reuben Russell, our oldest malmember, who is in feeble health. Bro. Russell has taken an active part in grange matters since he has joined and adoption of resolutions upon the death is beloved by all. The chair was presented by the Master, A. T. Clifford, with appropriate remarks and Bro. Russell responded with evidences of gratitude. Bro. Thing, Master-elect J. H. True of Starling, Master-elect M. F. Norcross and L. K. Litchfield of Winthrop, and Bro. W. S. Weeks of Riverwere the speakers. A brother from Winthrop and Elsie May Litchfield At 1.30 called to order and proceeded to gave fine recitations. Annie W. Manter gave a solo that was appreciated. A paper, "The man with the hoe," was read by M. L. Gray. Readfield grange enters the New Year under very favor-able circumstances and hopes to break

Turner grange had an enjoyable day sion of the installation of their officers Saturday. It is a fitting thing to make something more than the ordinary on this annually recurring occasion. If a grange would not have their meeting duli they must do something to make them interesting. It is fitting that the largest grange in the state should have

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the highest officer in the state pronounce the installation service. The following is the list of officers installed: Master-H. L. Irish. Overseer—V. P. DeCoster. Lecturer—W. H. Parkis. Steward-Harry Harlow. Assistant Steward - Edward Packard. Chaplain—Eleanor Forbes. Treasurer – F. A. Ricker. Secretary – M. Ella Parkis. Gate Keeper-Wallace Bray. Ceres—Mrs. Augusta Irish. Pomona—Mrs. Edith DeCoster. Flora—Mrs. Serena Rose. L. A. Steward—Dora Blossom Chorister-Horace True.

Baskahegan grange, No. 126, Carroll, on Dec. 23, closed a successful financial year. During the past year, they laid, in their the former Somerset county patron now hall, a nice, hard-wood floor, and rebuilt deputy C. W. Crowell in his usual pleasroom, well furnished with stoves, dishes, Next meeting at Readfield, Feb. 14th. tables and chairs to seat 75 at refreshment, and store well filled with a good THE GRANGE IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY, sesortment of food, which is sold low by their agent, Mr. A. Gates, who has been save the State of Maine from twenty-five \$2,000; one-third interest in cheese fac-

> nsuing year: Master-A. E. Gowell Overseer—J. W. Lindsey. Lecturer—Mrs. C. W. Danforth. Steward—W. P. Brown. Chaplain—Mrs. M. L. Gates.
> Treasurer—O. C. Abbott.
> Secretary—Mrs. S, T. Mallett.
> Assistant Steward—H. E. Murdock. L. A. Steward—Mrs. H. E. Murdock. Gate Keeper—J. F. Richardson. Pomona—Mrs. Nellie Lewis. Flora-Mrs. H. O. Spencer Ceres—Mrs. A. E. Gowell. Janitor and Librarian—H. Stevens. Chorister-W. P. Brown Organist-Mrs. Belle Lindsey.

#### PROGRESSIVE GRANGE.

The installation of officers of this grange was public to invited guests last surance Co, calls to this important office Friday evening. G. G. Page of Enterone of the most faithful and painstaking prise grange, past master of Sagadahoo men to be found in Maine, one who has county grange, was installing officer, as had years of experience as director in sisted by C. E. Dinslow and Mrs. Sarah the company and is fully acquainted with P. Buker of Enterprise. Enterprise have shown renewed vigor. The next all the details. The company has made grange was invited and a goodly number a wise selection, and the same may be was present and a grand collation of said of Bro. C. S. Stetson, Greene, who oysters, cake and coffee was served. The

Master-S. E. Skillins. Overseer-C. F. Gatchell. Overseer — U. F. Garchell. Lecturer — Mrs. Nellie M. Briry. Secretary — W. H. Waldron. Assistant Secretary — D. N. Fogg. Chaplain — Miss Abbie E. Ring. Treasurer—John Purinton.
Secretary—Miss Agnes G. Dinslow.
Gate Keeper—A. W. Skillins.
Pomona—Mrs. W. H. Waldron. Flora—Mrs. Eliza Chase. Ceres—Miss Delia E. Mero L. A. S .- Miss Lou M. Skillins.

#### GRANGE ELECTIONS.

Pleasant River grange, No. 169, Milo: Master—Mrs. L. J. Hobbs. Overseer—W. H. Snow. Lecturer—Etta L. Monroe. Steward—W. S. Lovejoy. Assistant Steward—J. H. Rhoda. Chaplain—J. E. Emerson Treasurer—B. F. Manter. Secretary—Ira F. Hobbs. Pomona-M. E. Hobbs. L. A. Steward-R. M. Rhoda Union grange, East Sumner: Master—L. H. Bisbee. Overseer-O. L. Newell. Lecturer—Mary E. Crockett Steward—John H. Robinson

Assistant Steward—Chas. H Chaplain—B. F. Cary. Treasurer-J. T. Glo Secretary—Jennie H. Bonney Gate Keeper—Wm. G. Cro Pomona—Evy R. Varney. Flora—Ella Newell. er-Wm. G. Crockett Ceres-Nellie Bisbee. Librarian—Rebecca S. Russell. L. A. Steward—Ida J. Bonney. Bear Mountain, So. Waterford:

Master-C. S. Hamlin Overseer-Robbins Plummer. Lecturer—Melville Monro Steward—W. H. Haynes. Assistant Steward-Willard Abbott. Chaplain-W. A. Hersey. Treasurer-G. H. Billings. Secretary-Miranda Billings. Gate Keeper-Loton Flint. Pomona-Flora Stearns. Flora-Ida Kimball -Mrs. E. S. Hamlin. L. A. Steward-Annie Hamlin. Organist-Helen Wiggin.

#### KENNEBEC POMONA.

Our report of Kennebec Pomona close ast week with the presentation and of Bro. Cook. A committee of ten was then appointed to locate the meetings for the ensuing year. Reported as follows: February, Readfield; March, Starling; April, Cascade; May, Branch Mills; June, Sidney; August, Windsor; September, Clin ton; October, North Augusta; November, Vassalboro; December, Pittston; Jan., Capital, Augusta. Recess for dinner. elect officers:

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Secretary—W. T. Mace.
Gate Keeper—E. Withee.
Pomona—Mrs. Nellie S. Collins.
Flora—Mrs. J. H. Barton. Ceres-Mrs. Alice Benson L. A. Steward—Mrs. W. L. Mace. Executive Committee—C. W. Crowell, C. F. Fletcher and F. S. Collins.

The matter of field day meeting was left with the executive committee. Voted that regular meetings be held on the second Wednesday in the month; annual meeting first Wednesday in January Officers elect were installed by county their stage. Also purchased settees to ing manner. Twelve granges were repre seat 200 persons, and now have one of sented at this meeting. Capital grange the best grange buildings in eastern was out in force and furnished a dinner Maine, containing hall, cook and dining that was appreciated and complimented

#### CALIFORNIA.

When one is away from their native in their employ for several years. At state, how good and pleasant it is to see the close of taking account of stock, Dec- the old family newspaper, like the Maine 22, the executive committee find the Farmer, to Maine people. Now that the from their full duty in the support of The election of a state auditor will value of buildings and furnishings, grange has risen to such a degree, all schools, but having performed that duty tory and apparatus, \$300; stock in trade terest in reports of the grange. I know but one half the duration and much less and good accounts, \$3,718.59, making the how the tie binds even to patrons on the sum total of grange property, \$6,018.59,
Pacific coast. So I will tell you a little
without any liabilities. Officers elect for
of their prosperity here in Santa Clara
abundant reason for state aid without county, Cal. It was the 13th day of even a taint of paternalism. May, 1878, when the first grange in this the records of this and other subordi- travagance so generally contracted durnate granges show meetings then well ing recent years can be more fully gratiuntil the Patrons of Husbandry were college should be devoted to creating the most flourishing order in the Santa public sentiment in favor of agricultural Clara Valley.

latter part of the eighty decade, the debatable question, but until more of grange has as elsewhere suffered a de- this work is done by our agricultural ession. Some surrendered their charters, nevertheless there were a staunch day, or the farmers arouse themselves few who kept the celestial fires burning on the altar. With the revival of busiannual meeting, Oct. 1900, is to be held with the Los Gatos grange, ten miles from San Jose.

Preparations are already being made for the entertainment of the state body. Several natives of Maine are members of the Los Gatos grange, and although this made, by some agency, to realize the ad-"Gem City" grange is but six months old, its growth has been rapid and stands fruit ranches here, where not only the cultural college in New England. While table grapes, but wine grapes are culti- we recognize the advantages of education vated, are taking out the wine grapes in any direction, we call special attenand setting to fruit trees.

We look with pride to our banner pro hibition State of Maine. Why? One of New Hampshire should make it the reason is because the people, our people, foremost department in the institution. are by it made more sober, industrious and frugal. We are pleased to hear that "under the prohibition policy, Maine in state expenditures, and is repeatedly has become one of the most prosperous, on record against extravagance in state having, in proportion to its population, affairs that would not be tolerated in larger deposits in savings banks than personal matters. The influence exany other state in the Union, when be- erted in this direction has been potent, fore the prohibition law it was one of extravagant appropriations having been the poorest.

I think you will be interested to know the value of some of the exports of this county for the year 1899, I quote from the San Jose Daily Mercury of Dec. 1899. (The Golden Jubilee number.)

Dried fruits, 70,900.000 lbs..... \$3,038,000 Fresh fruit, 16,08 ,000 lbs..... 1,000,000 Canned fruit and vegetables, 615,-792 cases
Flower and garden seeds, 800.

V. 000 lbs. Hay, 30 000 tons.
Vegetables, 50,000 sacks.
Berries, 100,000 chests.
Beof, 3000 head.
Hogs, 1000 head.

It must be remembered that this county is larger than the entire State of Rhode Island. "The busy bee that works when the sun shines doesn't have same might be said of "the man with a oe." During these winter days can be heard the "clip" of the pruning shears on all sides, pruning fruit trees and grape vines. We do not expect to see any snow here, but have had a few light frosts this winter. The abundance of pected another year. With compliments of the season, V. A. BROWN, former patron of grange in Harmony,

Jan. 1, 1900.

GOOD THINGS FROM ANNUAL ADDRESS OF STATE MASTER BACHELDER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

We find it impossible to publish in full the able address of State Master Bachelder of N. H. but clip some portions of greatest general interest. The success of the Grange in New Hampshire is due to the self-sacrificing efforts of a large number of active workers. Several officers of the State Grange his 1899 crop of onions; also first premi

a considerable sum, about \$1,200, it is barely sufficient to meet expenses, and the deputies' work can only be considered one of philanthropy. Pomona Grange officers travel hundreds of miles and devote much valuable time to prooting the interests of the order. The sustaining of the Grange in New Hampshire is the result of the active leadership of about 1,000 people, each inspired by his next neighbor or the next higher in rank to do his best without compensation, and we unhesitatingly commend this practice as the only legitimate course in permanently building up any fraternal organization. The chief aim of the Grange is education. It not only aims to educate the farmer and his family for the honorable discharge of the duties of citizenship by educational exercises in Grange halls, but it also aims to perfect our public school system, causing its benefits to be more equitably distributed, and to develop the agricultural departments of agricultural colleges and in crease their patronage. The educational work of the Grange, through its ritualistic and literary exercises, is its crowning glory in New Hampshire, and is fitting thousand people every year for position of public trust in town, county, and state, and for useful and honorable mem bers of society. In the matter of public schools our

organization has taken an advance step during the year. The measure known as the "Grange Educational Bill" be came a law during the last session of the legislature without much consider ation, except the fact that the Grange requested the legislation.

The object of this legislation was not to relieve the taxpayers of any town who read the Maine Farmer feel an in- and then being able to support schools efficiently than the same burden of tax-

even a taint of paternansm.

It is unfortunate that there is not a J. H. Neal, J. C. Evans, A. C. Foss, A. C. Foss, H. N. Clark, I. F. Bayne, state was organized at San Jose. The greater interest in agricultural education organizer secured 29 names of those who among the farmers, and its absence we were willing to help rear the standard of take to be the result of a prevailing organized agriculture. As soon as sentiment that their boys should engage formed, many flocked to its standard and in some business where the habits of exattended; money flowing into its coffers, fied. To what extent an agricultural education and to securing students for THE AGGREGATE OF LIVE STOCK AT During the so-called hard times, the its agricultural department, may be a colleges in general than is being done to to the advantages of agricultural education for |their boys, the proportion of agricultural to other students will not be at the head of the list where it justly

belongs. We have an institution at Darham liberally endowed and well equipped for teaching agriculture. It is at the same quoted at Liverpool and London at 11½@12½c dressed weight, sheep patronage and support. Although its number of agricultural students has inequipped for teaching agriculture. It is creased during the year, if the young men who are to occupy farms could be vantage to them of training in agriculture, there would be such an attendamong the first. Many who have bought ance as has never been accorded an agri-

tion to the agricultural features of this

college and assert that the farmers' boys

The Grange in New Hampshire has frequently advocated and urged economy prevented with no injury to the state's legitimate interest. The state tax has been reduced from \$500,000 to \$425,000 through economical management. The tax paid into the state treasury this year by railroad, savings bank, and insurance companies, amounts to \$532,943.22. The sabool and literary fund paid to towns is \$45,443 06. This amount is \$163.386. 28 in excess of the state tax assessed, and will be paid to towns. In other words, when the town officers go to Concord to pay their state tax they receive \$100.000 to \$425,000 to prevented with no injury to the state's \$3,038,000 school and literary fund paid to towns school and literary fund paid to towns 1,000,000 is \$45,443 06. This amount is \$163.386.-250,000 250,000 words, when the town officers go to Constitution of the state tax assessed, and will be paid to towns. In other words, when the town officers go to Constitution of the state tax assessed, and will be paid to towns. In other words, when the town officers go to Constitution of the state tax assessed. cord to pay their state tax they receiv. \$163,386 28 more than they will be called pon to pay, divided among 156 towns. This condition probably cannot be dupli ated in any state, and the Grange can

#### much rest in Santa Clara county." The FARMERS' INSTITUTES FOR LINCOLN

justly claim some credit in promoting

it. The state of New Hampshire car

teach long lessons of economy in public expenditures to many of the cities and

Farmers' Institutes will be held at King's Mills and South Jefferson Friday and Saturday of this week, with the following programmes.

Schoolhouse Hall, King's Mills. Fri frosts this winter. The abundance of rain has made everybody happy who tills the soil, and greater crops are expected another year. With compliments president of the Board of Agriculture. President of the Board of Agriculture. 130 P. M. "Orcharding," by F. H. R. Il-lins of Chesterville, member of the board from Franklin county. 7.30 P. M. "Small Fruits," by Prof. W. M. Munson

Grange Hall, South Jefferson, Satur day, Jan. 13. 10 30 A. M. "Orcharding. by F. . H Rollins of Chesterville, 130 P. M. "Why We Should Keep Cows and How to Make Them Pay," by E. E. Light of Union. 7.30 P. M. "Small Fruits," by Prof. W. M. Musson.

#### Fasex County Prize Awards.

The committee on root crops of th Essex County, Mass., Agricultural Society have awarded to Mr. John H. George, of Methuen, first premium on

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WATERTOWN AND BRIGHTON YARDS Cattle, 5,304; sheep, 8,753; hogs, 25,-378; veals, 1,095; horses, 553. Last week: Cattle, 3,092; sheep, 3,584; hogs, 21,-

MAINE STOCK AT MARKET. Cattle, 89; sheep, 913; hogs, veals, 289; horses, 50. LIVE STOCK EXPORTS TO OLD

137; veals, 1,023; horses, 429.

LAND. Shipments for the week 3,738 cattle, 2,663 sheep, 242 horses. Cattle from

CONDITION OF THE MARKET. Cattle for beef and store in large sup-ply both for export and home demand. The export cattle take a large proportion this week. The home trade is fair but prices are not as firm at a decline of \$\frac{1}{4}(a)\frac{1}{2}\cong eps lb, sales mostly at \$2\frac{1}{4}(a)\frac{1}{2}\cong eps lb, sales mostly at \$2\frac{1}{4}(a)\frac{1}{4}\cong eps lb, sales mostly at \$2\frac{1}{4}(a)\frac{1}{4} liberal supply from that source. Country lots at a range on sheep of 21/2/41/2c,

lambs 4/4@6c.

The hog market has not visibly changed in price or demand. The big firm J. P. Squire & Co. are increasing

The Eastern drovers were late at the ing wools sold at 60@62c, clean; choice narket yards. Had a fair supply of beef cattle on train at lower prices, from 3.6 taken at 22 of 60.65c. were from near bv. S. Cole had a choice pair cattle of 4,150 lbs., at a fancy price, 6½c live weight, but they were very choice and worth the money. A. M. Baggs sold 40 beef cows of 1,050 lbs., at 3½c. A. C. Foss sold 4 cows of 1,000 lbs., at 30. D. Walker sold 3 cows of 1,000 lbs., at 3½c. W. O. Cook sold 2 quantity of fine merinos taken at a clean cost of 85c. 1,100 lbs., at 3½c. W. O. Cook sold 2 oxen of 3 180 lbs., at 5½c live weight. W. Mills sold 2 oxen of 3,180 lbs., at \$5 40 per cwt. H. E. Evans sold 8 cows f about 1,000 lbs., at 23/c; 1 bull of 950

#### REMARKS.

The exports of the week are heavy in cattle, sheep and horses, and good prices are obtained for what is sent over. The home trade does not show activity, still last Wednesday there was a fair demand for beef cows at 1/4c advance over the revious week. Good cows were selling at 3½c, down to 3c per 1b., according to fatness and of course some were sold at 21/4@21/c, but very slim. Butchers do amount of live stock, and are taking account of stock and figuring up profits and osses of the past year, and laying plans for the new year. Dealers are was opportunity of taking to market best stock in cattle, sheep and lambs, expecting that there will be short market and as a result temporary

LATE SALES AT BRIGHTON LAST WEDNES-

ers. Several officers of the State Grange have visited 100 granges each during the year, with no compensation beyond expenses, which altogether has amounted to less than \$300. The small amount paid in salaries, \$575 for all state officers, is for office work, and is fairly well proportioned. So long as our officers and leaders are actuated by feelings of fraternity instead of financial gain in attending Grange work, an enthusiastic following Grange work, an enthusiastic following is sure to result. When a different policy is pursued for any length of time litis sure to lead to disintegration and decay. While our deputy system costs

Harris & Fellows sold 10 cows, \$30@50. Store Pigs. Sales very light with small pigs at \$1.50@2 25; shoats at \$3.50@5.50

#### BOSTON PRODUCE MARKET.

Boston, Jan. 10, 1900 Flour dull, corn easier. Oats no higher Market inactive.

Hay, Straw and Millfood. Hay is fully sustained with straw steady and militeed quiet: Hay, \$15@\$17.50; fancy and jobbing, \$17@18; rye straw. \$14.50@15; sack spring bran, \$17.50@17.75; winter, \$18.25@18.50; middlings, \$17.50@19.50; mixed feed, \$18.50@19.50; 00; cottonseed meal, \$24; linseed \$27.50.

Pork, Pork quiet, prices unchanged.

Beef is in fair demand, with the market steady; Choice sid 8@81/2c. light, 7@71/2c. Choice sides,9@91/20. good.

The butter market maintains a full degree of strength on all grades, and prices are higher than a week ago, but there is no increased activity. Buyers are slow to respond to the extreme prices asked on the fine lots arriving, and are looking around for something a little cheaper, but there seems to be no sur; lus of any kind and concessions are almost out of the question. Best creamery, small lots and pkgs, 31@31½c; northern fresh, round lots, 30½@31c; western, 29½@30c; eastern, 2½@30c; storage, 28@29c; firsts, 24@25c; imita-tions, 22@23c; jobbing, ½ to 1c more. Poultry.
Poultry is little changed, though tur-

keys are doing a little better: Norther turkeys, 13@15c; Western, 10@12c; Northern chickens, 14@17c; fowl, 10@ 12c; Western chickens, 9@12½c; fowl, 8@10c; green ducks, 10@12c; green geese, 10@12c; live fowl, 9@10c; chickens, 9@10c; ens, 9½(@10½).

Muttons, Lambs and Veal.

Muttons and lambs are quiet and unchanged: Lambs, 61/2081/201; Brightons and Eastern, 7(2)90; yearlings, 41/2(2)61/40; muttons, 5@6½c; fancy and Brightons, 6@7c; veals, 8@10c; fancy Brightons

Potatoes are firm, at full quotations: Aroostook Hebrons, 60@63c; Green Mountains, 63@65c; Northern white, 58 @60c; Green Mountains, 60@63c Apples

Apples are very steady, with a fair request: Gravensteins, \$3@3.50; Baldwins, \$2.50@3; Greenings, \$2.25@3; Kings, \$2.50@3; Spies, \$2@3; Tallman Sweets \$2@3; Snows, \$2.50@3.50; No. 2 and mixed varieties, \$1.25@1.75; jobbing and fancy lots, 50c@\$1.50 per bbl. more. Beaus. Beans are a little firmer: Carload lots,

pea and medium, \$2.05@2.10; small pea \$2 20@2.25; yellow eyes, \$2 35@2.40; red kidneys, \$2 45@2 50; California small white, \$2.25@3.30; Lima, 5c per lb.; jobbing, 10c more.

15c; Western fresh, 24@25c; Eastern, 25@26c; near by and fancy, 30@45c; jobbing, 1@11/2c higher. Chees

There is just enough increased inquir to show that buyers are thinking of tak ing hold more freely, but it has not de-veloped into any active demand and prices are without change. The top price for choice York State twins is 13 cents, in wholesale lots, and when the quality is not well up a range of from 12 to 123/4 cents has to be accepted. Holders talk confidently of higher rates in the near future, and the slight advance on the Liverpool quotation is an indication that a further advance may be expected n England, but until the English man ket does take a start it will be hard to get prices up here. The comparatively small stocks reported at all leading points here and in Canada, as well as in and legitimately point to better rates.

#### BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

There appears to be a lull in the busi the number they slaughter now each week and soon the full capacity of their plant will be regained. Western hogs cost 41/2 @43/c live weight, and local hogs at 51/2 dressed weight. nogs at 5½(@5½c dressed weight.

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Mich cows are certainly dull of sale and to colose out last Wednesday owners had to sell at low prices. Some were bought out by speculators at their own price, to take into the country. Common cows, \$20@\$38. Extra cows, \$40@

The movement in veal calves is much there is considerable detail to take much interest in the wood ents, \$4 15@425.

Wheat, 4 20@ 40; Michigan straight roller, \$3 \$5@4 00; winter wheat patents, \$4 15@425.

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\$100@\$300.

Live Poultry A light supply and thing doing. Prices continue firm holders' ideas are not in the line of cessions. Fine and fine medium clothselected staples at 70c. taken at 22½c, equivalent to a clean cost

Receipts and sales of the week: The receipts were 11,277 bales and sales were 2,505,600 lbs.
Prices on domestic wools: Ohio xx and above, 37@39c

Ohio No. 1 and No. 2, washed, 36@39c. Michigan No. 1, 35@37c. Fine unwashed and unmerch., 25@28c. 14, 3/4 and 1/4 blood, 27@30c. California, 15@22c. Eastern Oregon, 201/2. Texas, 16@21c. Territory, 14@26c. Pulled wools, 20@ Pulled wools, 20@60c. Scoured, 40@65c. Odds and ends, 11@23. Fine Australian, 33@43c.

#### PORTLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Carpet wools, 13(a)20c.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 10, 1900. Flour quiet. Lumber higher. Cor ats and millfeed firm. Apples are oats and millfeed firm. Apple good demand, with prices firm.



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shorts, bag lots, \$19(3) 50; middlings, \$18(2) 0; middlings, bag lots, \$19(2) 10; cottonseed meal, car lots, \$25 00; bag lots, \$26 00.

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LARD—Bbl., pure, 7@7½c; pails, compd, 6@6½c; pails, pure, 7¾@8c; pure leaf, 9@9½c.

POTATOES—58@60c per bush.

PROVISIONS—Fowl, 11@13c; chickens, 12@14c; turkeys, 13@16c; eggs, 25c; beef, 6½@8c; pork backs, \$13.75; hams, 10½@10½c; mutton, 5½@6c.

## AUGUSTA HAY, GRAIN AND WOOL MARKET.

[Corrected Jan. 10, for the Maine Farms by B. F. Parrott & Co.] STRAW—Pressed, \$9; loose, \$5@6. SHORTS—95c per hundred, \$19 00 top lots. Mixed Feed, 98c. WOOL—23c per lb.; spring lamb skins, 65c@\$100; calf skins, 11c per lb. COTTON SEED MEAL—Bag lots, \$1 30; \$25 50, ton lots. CHICAGO GLUTEN MEAL-Ton lots.

\$18, bag lots, \$1 25. FLOUR—Full winter patents, \$4 30; Spring patents, \$4 30@4 50; roller process, straight, \$3 85@4 00; low grade, Sugar—\$5 10 per hundred.

HAY—Louse \$10@12; pressed, \$12. HIDES AND SKINS—Cow hides, 80; ox hides, 80; bulls and stags, 70. LIME AND CEMENT-Lime, \$1 10 per cask; cement, \$1 45.

HARD WOOD-Dry, \$5@5 50; green \$3 00@4 00. GRAIN—Corn, 471/2e; meal, bag lots, OATS-72c, bag lots.

#### AUGUSTA CITY PRODUCE MARKET.

[Corrected Jan. 10, for the Maine Farmer. by J. E. Fuller.] Cheese higher. New domestic cheese firm. Eggs lower. Potatoes in good demand. Butter in good supply. Fowl plenty. Chickens in better demand. Pork BEANS-Western pea beans, \$2 25.

Yellow Eyes, \$2 10. BUTTER-Ball butter, 20c. Creamery,

CHEESE-Factory, 13c; Sage, 14c. EGGS—Fresh, 20c per dozen. LABD—In pails, best, 93/@10c. PROVISIONS—Wholesale — Clea PROVISIONS—Wholesale — Clear salt pork, \$11 50 per bbl.; beef per side, 8% ham, smoked, 10%c; fowl, 10c; weal, 8c; round hog, 5½c; lamb, 8c. Spring chickens, 13@14c; native turkeys, 16@

POTATOES-40c per bush. CABBAGES-21/c per lb. BRETS-%c per lb. TURNIPS-40c per bush. APPLES—\$2 50 per bbl. CBANBERRIES—\$7 00 per bbl.



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Z. 4. GILBERT, Agricultural Editor. The grain feed of cows in milk while Mon at the barn in winter is a matter calling But or close calculation on the part of the inta See the article in our Institute and

Column this week. Sheep are selling in the range country Bar tabout the same price, three to four may dollars a head, that they are worth here in nill Maine. High priced land is placed to to s disadvantage in competition with free life.

The agricultural editor of the Farmer Lew in attendance this week on the Conectiont State Dairymen's Annual Conrention at Hartford. He is to give a paper on "The Creamery, Its Duties and Obligations to Its Patrons."

In the winter season with no pressure ask doutside work the cattle owner can find ceed profitable employment among his stock. German experiments show that the yield impr milk and fat in dairy cows may be inreased from two and a half to eight and prov half per cent. by grooming. Equal parts corn and cob meal, wheat

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rau, and ground oats make a grain ra- Bett ion for cows that will do good work fed desir connection with equal parts of hay stock and corn fodder. And best of all it may all be grown on your own farm, with the ation single exception of the bran. The corn and oats alone also make a good grain eed for other cattle.

The special meeting and exhibition of East the State Pomological Society occurs toay and to morrow at New Gloucester it w own hall. The locality in which this moth meeting is held is one of the best fruit prop growing centers in the state and the meeting cannot fail of being of special stood aterest. We shall give a full report of t in the next issue of the Farmer.

Reports of heavy-weight hogs frequentcome in. There may be cases where is best to keep hogs to these heavy reights, but feeders should not overlook he fact that it is done at high cost. With corn and pork at the present bal-With corn and pork at the present bal-age we doubt if a case can be found where a pig or hog after reaching a weight that would dress two hundred weight that would dress two hundred to the sad fifty pounds, has gained enough to know pay the cost of feed. It is when young and light that gain is most per day, and and

less food per day is required. At the Minnesota Dairy Exhibition last anth, ninety samples were scored, the large highest being 97%, the lowest, 86%, sear-eighty lots out of the whole scoring ever 90. The report of the exhibit in the Resident the Review says: "The open, mild to be weather which has prevailed in this secthe effect of causing a poor quality of work milk as farmers have not to any extent begun grain feeding, preferring to allow their cows to find their feed in the his r frozen fields." Evidently "New York which

tandards" were not imported. The person in charge of cattle at the barn must watch them with intense at-testion if he would secure the best possible results from his feeding. Nothing verse as take the place of this watchful care. grow feeder may study and learn all about the ood elements and balanced rations, but band s can only know by critical observation and e and the closest attention what these ele- seaso bents and rations are doing for each of that the animals in charge. When cattle look exter and appear all right, and are making Cook rapid growth or giving a liberal flow of proce

milk, they are well fed and cared for. Bulletin 24, Dairy Division Department | that Agriculture, H. E. Alvord, Chief, is meth oted to a description and history of a con he experiments of the department in inroducing to the English trade shipments our first class butter, reference to bich was made from time to time in from the same source, is an illustrated of da teription and history of the several stupi breeds of dairy cattle, prepared by the dairy this of the dairy division. This last bulletin, more especially, cannot fail of ness being of interest to every dairyman and take every lover of cattle. Both there bulletins are a reprint from the Fifteenth "old" Anaual Report of the Bureau of Animal Wint Industry. Send to the Department of local Agriculture for that report and you will town town as cor that report and you other as cor aluable reading matter relating to our Missi tock industry, which may profitably latter elaim attention these long winter evenlags. Free to all who want them.

### WINTER QUARTERS.

Too much has been said about the nalo antage of warm quarters for cattle think winter, without coupling with it the the M ortance of pure air. When it comes still i that there must be a choice between have tool quarters with pure air, and warm its es quarters and foni air, take the cool the g Quarters every time. Health, with its or. companying strength and viger, is found always of first importance. In proaction of health pure air is indispen- count The old Scotchman of Lewiston asser who used to "house" his Ayrshire helf- the to

work town took